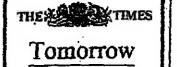
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Arap Moi . . . Arap Moi's Kenya after 20 years of

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Friday Page meess a family engulfed by debt. Six months after the election, the ups and downs of public opinion.

. Eighties Social trends in Britain: education.

Cell Block The crisis of overcrowding in America's prisons.

Oil fears push pound to new low

The pound fell sharply yester-day, touching \$1.4350 in New York before closing at a record low in London of \$1.4420, on oil price fears following reports of the Nigerian senate's vote in favour of leaving Opec. The stock market showed scant concern and continued its record-breaking run with the FT Index closing up 5.4 at 753.6

Olivier 'stable' after operation

Lord Olivier underwent a major kidney operation lasting two hours at St Thomas's Hospital, London. The actor's agent, Mr Lawrence Evans, said: "It was successful an Lord Olivier is in a stable condition."

Gallery design

A new design for the National Uallety extension has been unveiled after a controversial competition in which none of the entries proved acceptable

Holyoake dies

Sir Keith Holyoake the former Covernor General and Prime Minister of New Zealand, has died in hospital, at the age of 79.

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Art for tender

What is thought to be the first tine art sale by tender, of an eighteenth century portrait, may

Nuclear fiction

The nuclear disaster film The Day After is fiction and needs no balancing material, IBA sources say in rejecting Mr Michael Heseltine's demand for a right of reply.

World Cup

England and Northern Ireland share one group and Scotland and Wales will share another in the qualify round of the 1986 World Cup Page 22

Leader page, 13 Letters: On Central America, from Mr J W Middendorf; conveyancing, from Mr G Lee, and Mr P Randall; unemployment, from Mr R Hurst Leading articles: EEC; Mr Heseltine and The Day After; Soviet press conferences

Features, pages 10, 12 The case for televising Parliament; East German war jitters; a National Gallery extension that will satisfy no one; Profile: Lord Carrington

Books, page 11 Sandy Wilson plays the lyrics of Cole Porter and Noel Coward; Woodrow Wyatt on whales Obituary, page 14 Miss Muriel St Clare Byrne, Mr

Digby Morton



Thatcher message of calm on EEC and Beirut troops

The Prime Minister said vesterday Britain would not withdraw its troops from Lebanon but indicated the need for closer United States consultation.

Mrs Thatcher told the Commons it would take a year to achieve the changes Britain is seeking in the EEC.

The French Government is saying little about the Athens debacle but the French press castigated Mrs Thatcher (Page 6). The first of four Greek ferries. chartered to evacuate the 4,000 Arafat supporters in Lebanon, is due to reach Tripoli tomorrow (Page 6).

By Julian Haviland and Anthony Bevins

of State, and the French and

the Nato meeting in Brussels

of British feeling was given when Mr Denis Healey, the

shadow spokesman, said that the suggestion of American self-

defence had been "blown out of

the water" by repeated US press

reports that military action had been planned long before the reconnaissance aircraft had

tion weapon which he was

The terrorists struck soon

after Mr Graham, a single man,

had walked from his car and

came out of the university

buildings. One of them pulled a

high velocity pistol from a folder of papers and shot Mr

Graham in the back of the head

As he fell to the ground

blood pouring from the wound,

the gunmen fired three more

passing the pistol to his colleague. Medical staff from

the university attempted to give

first aid but Mr Graham dies

soon afterwards.
As a lecturer on his way to a

known within the university.

Security forces have

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gular tutorial, Mr Graham's

movements would have been

at point blank range.

An indication of the strength

Parliamentary report

Commission gets tough Freuch blame Britain

Arafat rescue fleet Assad's stick and carrot

Leading article

been fired on.

IRA kills leading

Ulster politician

From Richard Ford, Belfast

A leading Official Unionist measures at Mr Graham's home

member of the Northern Ire- and advised him on his

by the Provisional IRA yester- time, the police said, had he

day, bringing renewed fears of a asked for personal protection at

violent upsurge in revenge home or work. He had been killings throughout the prov- issued with a personal protec-

In retaliation for the killing of carrying at the time of his death.

Unionist Party's law and order was talking with a colleague on

spokesman, Mr Edgar Graham, the pavement near the univer-

outside Queen's University in sity's law library.
south Belfast. Two men in casual dress

Mr James Prior, Secretary of shots before running off and

Less than two weeks ago the Mr Edgar Graham: Shot

The Prime Minister returned to Westminster from the Athens summit yesterday with a mess-age of calm for MPs anxious about the British contingent in foreign affairs questions before Mrs Thatcher's statement that Lebanon and the breakdown of

EEC negotiations.
The British troops would not be withdrawn; consultation would be increased with the Americans, with a hint of military restraint; and, on the against Syrian targets.

Talks will continue with Mr
George Shultz, the US Secretary Community. Mrs Thatcher said a financial settlement could be

another year in the making.

Mrs Thatcher falled to mention the British contingent in Beirut during a report on Athens, but when presed by Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, she appeared to stiffen her resolve to keep the force

In post-summit interviews, she had said there was no truth in rumours of a British pullout "at the moment" and that the purpose of the multinational force could "just" be main-

But she told MPs yesterday: There would be considerable repercussions, not only among the various communities in Lebanon and the Arab and Jewish communities beyond, but also within the alliance, if there were to be any suggestion that we should unilaterally pull out or be thought in any way to be leading a retreat. We will

The Prime Minister appears keen to persuade Washington multinational force is to protest there is a difference mote the process of reconcilibetween self-defence and the ation."

two of its members by the Special Air Services, the Pro-

visional IRA shot the Official

He was the most senior

politician to die in Ulster since

the Provisionals killed the Rev

Robert Bradford MP who like

Mr Graham, aged 29 and a lecturer at the university.

represented the South Belfast

constituency for the Official

State for Northern Ireland,

cancelled his engagements yes-

terday to hold emergency talks

with the police and the Army

and there were demands from

Unionists for tighter security

and the reintroduction of

Official Unionist MP for South

Belfast, said that he had

requested more police protec-

tion for Mr Graham because he

believed that he was an easy

Mr Graham himself had alleged in the Northern Ireland

Assembly that "loyalist" and

Republican paramilitaries were

conspiring to kill a leading

Last night the Royal Ulster

Constabulary said that it had

discussed security with Mr Graham on several occasions

and that had led to protective

measures at his home, which he

shared with his sister Ann,

including a direct means of

communication with the police.

target for a murder attempt.

The Rev Martin Smith.

selective internment.

Official Unionist.

pursuit of diplomatic goals Mrs Thatcher repeated the same concern, although she asked the House to understand through military means. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, said during

he had earlier informed Presi-In her report to Parliament dent Reagan's special envoy in the Middle East, Mr Donald on the failure in Athens, the Prime Minister suggested that Rumsfeld, of MPs' anxieties the changes Britain is seeking in about the American strikes the Community would take

munity would be in real financial difficulty until the autumn (of 1984). "That is the point when we are most likely to get reform," she said.

Mr Kinnock accused her of the mannitime to blame the "unmit-

trying to blame the "unmiti-gated failure" of the summit on everyone but herself, "You

The Conservative benches, with strong support from the Social Democrats, endorsed Mrs Thatcher's stance. Mr Geoffrey Rippon, who negotiated British membership for Mr Edward Heath, said an open failure was probably better than a pretended success.

ROME: The

that defensive action had to be considered in the light of American losses.

another year to achieve, She told Mr Kinnock that she doubted whether the Com-

have let our country down " he said. Italian foreign ministers outside

Government seems to be in favour of withdrawing its Beirut contingent, but wants to avoid a unilateral step which would anger Washington The inner cabinet yesterday confirmed its view that the role

Sir Geoffrey said: "It is important, of course, for all those concerned to recognize that the objective of the the multinational force should be re-examined, with the United Nations playing a larger

US will go

to get fair

arms deal

From Rodney Cowton

Defence Correspondent

Brassels

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the

US Defence Secretary, told

Nato yesterday that the US

would go "anywhere in the world" to negotiate a sound

arms control agreement with

Ending a two-day conference

with Nato defence ministers, he told reporters: "We stand ready

to negotiate fully at any table

anywhere in the world," to get a

fair agreement to reduce Soviet and US missiles in Europe.

Mr Weinberger is in Europe

assuring Nato that US-Soviet

dialogue will continue despite

deployment of new American missiles and the recent Soviet

walk-out from negotiations to

reduce intermediate-range nu-

He and the defence ministers

discussed the wisdom of merg-

ing the intermediate- range talks

with talks on strategic missiles, the present round of which ends

Mr Weinberger was cool to the idea. He said the chief

difficulty was to get the

Russians to "negotiate serious-

shown little enthusisam for

merging the talks: the general

view is that any initiative for

INF resumption will have to

Mr Michael Heseltine, the

British Defence Secretary, said

the West had made it clear it

was not going to abandon the conference table. "If the Soviets

genuinely wanted a rapproch-

Most of the ministers re-affirmed Nato's decision to

affirmed Nato's decision to proceed with deployment of

Pershing 2 and cruise missiles.

ment they would find

extraordinarily easy".

Nato ministers have also

clear missiles (INF).

in Geneva today.

the Soviet Union.

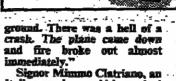
Madrid's second crash in less than two weeks. Airline officials said that there were 41 A Boeing 727 of the national airline Iberia was taking off when a DC 9 of the domestic company Aviaco crossed its

broke out.

correspondent in Madrid, reported from the scene that the DC 9 was totally destroyed. pieces," she said. Further along the runway the burnt-out hulk of the Iberia plane was still smoking. Only the engines and tail of the aircraft were

said the Boeing was moving at about 200 mph when it hit the

One survivor, Seor Jesus Villar, said he was reading.



Italian survivor, said he rushed back of the Boeing after the collision because the front was engulfed in flames and

ted beside the emergency door at the back of the plane and all the passengers were rushing towards it", he said. "As I am tall. I was able to push my way through, break the glass in the door and get out. Then the

official said that visibility had been down to five yards. "You couldn't see anything on the runway", he said.

DC9, but Signor Clatriano said be had felt a "sharp move-ment" of the plane to the left inst before the crash.

Firemen who rushed to the



90 die in second Madrid crash in 10 days

From Our Own Corresp Madrid

About 90 people were killed yesterday when two Spanish driliners collided in thick fog in

path on the main runway at Barajas airport. The DC 9's fuel tanks exploded and fire

president of both airlines, said ali 37 passengers and five circl on board the Aviaco plane died. The Iberia aircraft was carry-

'anywhere' nine crew.
Sosan Roberts Reuter's Madrid, re-

> recognisable. As rescue teams, working in dense fog, pulled charred and mutilated bodies from the wreckage, covering them with blankets, survivors told of the horror of the crash. Officials

> "The plane was already off the

"Two stewardesses had fain-

other passengers were able to do the same". The fog at Barajas was so

thick yesterday morning that shortly before the collision g flights had been diverted to other Spanish

THICK FOG

Eyewitnesses said takeoff down runway 01 with visibility down to 25ft. It was unable to divert to avoid the

Señor Espinosa claimed the airport was open to traffic at the time and an official weather report put visibility at 300yds. The Iberia aircraft had been cleared for take-off by ground control while the Aviaco plane had been told to start its takeoff approach.

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sees Scoon as 'Caesar' of Grenada

From Trevor Fishlock New York

Mr Anthony Rushford, the British legal specialist who resigned as Attorney-General of Grenada, said yesterday that he quit because he did not want to be associated with an ineffective and leaderless Government. "I saw the situation collaps-

ing to anarchy... My reputation and integrity were at stake" he told me by telephone from St Vincent, on his way to

Evidently angry over what he called an "exhausting experience" during his five weeks in Grenada, he said he had been treated by Sir Paul Scoon, the Governor-General, with "contempt and condescension?

"Sir Paul is a pompous man" he declared. He refers to himself, in the third person, as Governor-General - even at the dinner table". But there were also "personal

slights" Mr Rushford admitted. I was inadequately paid, housed and recognised. I had no entertainment allowance. The glasses of beer I bought for journalists and diplomats I paid for myself".

He described Grenada's Government as a headless body. The delightful people of the island look for leadership but they cannot tell who is leader or master". Quoting from Milton's poem, Lycidas, he

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London bombs charge

By Richard Evans

A man will appear at Marylebone court this morning in connexion with three IRA bombings in London two years

Thomas Quigley, aged 28, of Glenalina Road, Belfast, was charged late yesterday afternoon at Paddington Green police station in west London where he has been held under armed guard since his arrest in Upper Falls Road, Belfast, last Friday.

The charge states that on various dates between August, 1981 and November 13, 1981 he unlawfully and maliciously conspired with other persons to cause by an explosive substance explosions of a nature likely to endanger life or cause injury to

Radiation in silt near Sellafield

By Ronald Fanx

Significant radiation has been discovered in silt at Maryport harbour, a few miles north of the nuclear fuel reprocessing plant at Sellafield (formerly Windscale) in Cumbria.

Five grammes of the silt inhaled as dust could contain the maximum advised annual dose of inhaled radiation according to a scientist doing studies for the local authority. Allerdale District Counci was planning to dredge the silt, but it has been told by Dr Richard Scott of the Depart

ment of Molecular Biology at Edinburgh University that the silt would have to be loaded and transported when it was wet to minimise dust, the tyres of the transporting lorries would have to be washed down before they eached public roads, all loads would have to be covered, dust levels would need monitoring. and the workmen concerned treated as radiation workers and monitored accordingly.

Elsewhere, along an 11-mile stretch of shore between St Bee Head and the River Esk. monitoring by the Department of the Environment has uncovered fresh items of seaweed and other vegetation, plastic and string containing higher than normal radioactivity. British Nuclear Fucls said last night that the method used for emptying tanks where radioactive material was held before discharge down the sea

Association reports). Wornes about contaminated fish in the Irish Sea have been tempered by new government figures showing that although there was a slight rise in radiation in fish caught near Sellafield, in 1981, levels fell by half between 1978 and 1982 (our Ficetwood Correspondent



police discussed further security 37% rise in drink-drive prosecutions

By John Witherow

There has been a big increase in the number of prosecutions for drink-driving offences since the introduction of electronic breath-testing machines last May, according to provisional Home Office figures.

About 75,000 drivers were convicted on drink-drive charges last year. But in the seven momnths since the "intoximeters" came into use there have been 60,000 positive tests, most of which have led to convictions. If the trend continues it will mean that the number of convictions for drink-driving will increase by about 37 per cent over last year:

An official of the manufac-

turers of Lion intoximeters,

which have been issued to 39

police forces in England and

station for a couple of hours while he waited for a doctor and a blood test," he said. "Now he can be back on patrol within 10 minutes. Home Office figures also

than under the old system.

Wales, said that the rate of

positive results was highest

because it enabled police

officers to deal with drink-drive

suspects much more rapidly

"Before, a policeman might

show that last year only 35 per cent of tests for drink-driving proved positive, compared with nearly 60 per cent in the early

leading to more prosecutions, but the printout from the £3:000 machine has led to legal controversy. Thousands of motorists fac-

ing drink-driving charges will be awaiting the result of a hearing before the Divisional Court today with more than a little trepidation.

Their cases have been adjourned pending the appeal have to go back to the police by Hampshire police against a ruling at Basingstoke Magistrates' Court last September. The court decided that the printout, which shows times and levels of alcohol in the blood in an abbreviated form, could not be admitted as a statement and dismissed the

The challenge, the first of its 70s. kind since the "intoximeter"

The "intoximeter" may be was introduced, has led to many more defendants pleading not guilty to drink-driving charges. Most of the 600 magistrates courts have adjourned such cases; some, such

as Southampton and Basing stoke, have suspended all drink-driving cases until the matter is cleared up. The solicitor who challenged

the printout in Basingstoke, Mr David Hawke, received 650 telephone calls in the week after the ruling. Most came from solicitors asking for the precise form of the defence and the firm has printed a letter explaining its case.

About 120 people, including a barrister, approached Mr Hawke asking him to defend them on drink-driving charges.

Even in Scotland and the north-east, where the Camic "intoximeter" is in use, defendants have pleaded not guilty boping that a favourable appeal ruling will also affect the printouts from the Camic.

Tory MEPs protest at Thatcher restraint on pre-election spending

Their role at Strasbourg in

Mr Robert Haslam, BSC

chairman, said: "The major

worry is the vast surpluses of steel-making capacity in Europe

and the way they have been

driving prices down in recent

weeks. We are now selling at 1979 prices with 1983 costs and

Although the BSC says that

strenuous efforts to achieve

further cost reductions and

performance improvements continue", that is not thought to

be ahint that it is looking for another drastic round of job cuts. Its workforce of 166,000 in

The British Government is

campaigning to set the Germans, Italians and Belgians in

particular to follow its rationali-

The BSC half-yearty state-

effective European steel regime

1980, is down to 73,000.

zation path.

this cannot go on."

good enough.

BSC losses cut to

£2.6m a week

Conservative members of the sensitive time, by trying to restrict spending of Community funds on promoting next year's elections to the parliament.

The Conservatives are en-titled to spend about £2.8m of Community money, on the authority of the parliament, to spread information about its workings in advance of the elections, to be held on June 14.

They are not allowed to spend the firmds on campaigning, and the parliament's rules stipulate that the expenditure must cease 40 days before

Dolling, by May 5.

But Mrs Margaret Thatcher is insisting that the spending from Community funds must stop much earlier. On her behalf the party chairman, Mr John Gummer, has proposed to the 60 British Conservative MEPs that the cut-off date should be March 14.

The group thinks that would be foolish, and its feelings are aggravated by the more serious unfair that the Conservatives complaint that they are out of have far more to spend than

British Steel's losses of well

over £1 m a day at the beginning

almost-three-quarters. They are now said to be running at £2.6m

That compares with £9m a

week for January, and a figure

of £3.5m a week quoted only last month by the BSC's new chairman, Mr Robert Haslam,

when writing in Steel News. Mr

Haslam based his figure on an annual rate of loss of £180m

But, BSC said when declaring

its latest results yesterday, the obvious improvement in per-

formance had to be balanced

against "the fragility of prices throughout Europe", which will increase its trading losses in the

For the six months to the end

on home orders of £1,057m and

exports of £377m. That was

more than half the £156m

deficit for the same period of

1982, when turnover was slightly higher.

BBC staff

attack

Dimbleby

caster and owner of the

Times, for taking their union to

of the National Union of

Journalists (NUJ) backed the

union's national executive in

defying an injunction granted to

Mr Dimbleby to stop an NUJ

The union is expected to appeal to the House of Lords

papers are on strike because he

transferred printing of the titles to the non-union TBF Printers, which is associated with T.

Bailey Forman with whom the

NUJ has a long-standing dis-

Peace talks aimed at ending

the closed shop dispute between the National Graphi-

Group Newspapers restarted in Manchester last night. Mr Selim ("Eddie") Shah is

one back in the High Court

tomorrow to pursue further complaints against the NGA

hich could result in heavy new

fines against the print union for

last week's violent picketing in

The negotiations, at the

STOP PRESS.

Warrington, Cheshire.

cal Association and Mes

Journalists at Mr Dimbleby's

strike at his newspaper group.

second half of the year.

The Prime Minister has upset unable to influence her atti-The allocation favours thos 1979 election. Labour, with 17 She has not met the MEPs as MEPs, expects to have more than £600,000 to spend. The Liberals, with no British MEPs, are likely to have about £250,000 given them by the European Liberal Democratic Group. The Social Democratic group. a group since March and has no plans to meet them again, although in its view and that of advisers it is in her interests that they should fully share her thinking, and she theirs.

> the next few weeks, when the parliament is bound to recon-Conservative treasurers, who have to raise funds for the sider whether to freeze Britain's promised rebate, may be crucampaign proper, have suggested that industrialists may be reluctant to answer appeals if the party seems flush with Yet some MEPs complained Euromoney. But the MEPs believe that industry, being hard-headed, will expect the party to use all available community cash before asking vesterday that the Prime Minister was "trying to run them, through Mr Gummer, by remote control". This was not

The Prime Minister's mo-They have also told the Prime Minister that the most tives in restricting pre-election expenditure appear mixed. Her wasteful use of public funds would be to spend upwards of habitual reluctance to spend public money seems to be the main one. But she also fears £2m in an effort to increase that the electorate may think it unfair that the Conservatives public awareness of the parlia-ment and the elections, and allow interest to lapse during a seven-week histus.

Confusion on Varley successor

will have nothing for pre-cam-

By Phitip Webster Political Reporter

Mr Eric Varley, the former Labour Cabinet minister who is to leave the Commons to go into business, is also to give up his post of treasurer of the Labour Party in January.

There was confusion over his likely successor last night after Mr Sam McCluskie treasurer and assistant general secretary of the National Union of Seamen, said that he would accept nomination for the post.

Labour Party headquarters made clear, howevwer, that under the party constitution Mr Albert Booth, the former MP, whom Mr Varley beat in the election for treasurer should take over automatically.

The constitution states that any vacancy in any division of the national executive should be filled by the cooption of the ment declares: "The need for an to maintain discipline in the market, and the exchange rates for sterling continue to be critical to the achievements of targets for the year."

Nott attacks Pym for 'pessimistic' speech

By our Political Reporter

David Dimbleby, the broad- troversial Oxford speech calling for wiser political leadership. Sir John, now a director of Lazard Brothers, the merchant bank, retired from Parliament The television news branch in June. He made an unusually strong personal criticism of Mr Pym in a speech to the City Liaison Group.

He said that Mr Pym had encapsulated in his speech "that most damaging post-war contri-bution of the British establishment pessimism." If the flame of public confidence had just begun to flicker, Sir John said, "Francis seems to do his best to

douse it." He said the happiest moment became the party leader, and he course.

NGA and Shah resume peace talks

Manchester office of the Advisory, Conciliation and

Arbitration Service (Acas), were being conducted by Mr

man, whose team of concili-ators shuttled between the free

sheet newspaper publishers, and union officials demanding the reinstatement of six men and the establishment of a

As they went into the talks the

two parties were guarded in their comments about a suc-

FLIGHTS TO THEIR SCHEDULE ON

BACK TO THE GULF IN TIME FOR THE

GULF AIR ARE ADDING SPECIAL HOLIDAY

DECEMBER 14 AND DECEMBER 21. SO NOW

WE HAVE PLENTY OF SPACE AVAILABLE. GET

closed shop.

HOLIDAY, BOOK NOW.

Sir John Nott, the former had sensed that the "consensus-By Our Labour Reporter

Cabinet minister, yesterday seeking, paternalistic, occasionaccused Mr Francis Pym of a ally conscious-ridden and somemisleading reading of the what with post-war tradition
esterday condemned Mr
national condition in his conhad been broken." The Macmillan premiership had been

> Sir John said he had been roused to react to Mr Pym's speech because of the near dismissal of what the new Tory Party had achieved, including the cut in inflation, and reduced borrowing requirement. Sir John asked: "Is this financial transformation to be ignored because we suffer the waste of three million unemployed?

In a speech at the Carlton Club, London, yesterday, Lord Whitelaw, who has just been given responsibility by Mrs Thatcher for the improving the presentation of Government of his political career had been policy, emphasized its determiwhen Mrs Margaret Thatcher nation to stick to its economic

Dubbius, general secretary-elect of the NGA, said: "The company made a statement last

night saying they were encouraged by the progress, and we

are very reassured by their

Mr Shah said that he wa

to face for the first time in the

present round of peace talks, but he confirmed that his court

action against the union going ahead.

ping to meet the union face

regarded as a concession yesterday by offering to include numbers at 6,500. Coach driver in M5 death

A new and possibly final plan for the long delayed National Gallery

extension was made public yester-

day.
It consists of 17 galleries, linked

to the main gallery floor of the present building, with three floors of offices underneath, one of them

below ground level.

The design is by the architects
Ahrends, Burion and Koralek, who

were nominated by the Government

last year to produce a new scheme

after a controversial and indecisive

competition. The gallery trustees

made it clear at the time that they favoured a rival design by Skid-

were arrested in London yester-

day as talks to prevent mass

closure of homes for children,

the elderly and the handicapped

at Christmas collapsed,
As part of a "day of action"
thousands of people lobbied
negotiations between leaders of

25,000 residential social work-

ers and local authorities.
Police clashed with the

demonstrators, members of the National and Local Govern-

ment Officers' Association (Nalgo), stopping them from marching into Belgrave Square,

where talks were being held, and the arrests were made. The breakdown in the talks

means the homes face a Christmas of severe disruption.

Last night Nalgo said it would press ahead with a ballot of

members seeking to extend action which already includes

stoppages and closures.

The workers are voting on

whether to restrict working to a

throughout Britain. Nalgo is confident there will be a

Employers made what they

mandate for fresh disruption.

40 held as Nalgo

homes talks collapse

At least 40 demonstrators Nalso's opinions in a review of ere arrested in London yesteray as talks to prevent mass social workers. But Nalso

afford it.

STRUCTION.

crash fined £385 The driver of a coach that crashed on the M5 at Cullompton, Devon, in June, killing a teacher and seriously injuring 20 children, told a special sitting of magistrates in the town

yesterday that the crash had been "a ghastly experience". Allan Johnson, aged 34, from Barrow-in-Forness, said that he had tried to avoid the collision in which Mrs
Delicia Moss, aged 28, died.
He was found guilty of
careless driving. He also admitted exceeding the 70 mph speed.

limit and failing to switch on the coach's tachograph. He was fined a total of £385. In all, 40 children and three other adults on the trip from the Lakes School, near Winder-mere, were hurt when the coach

The Speaker of the House of collided with a parked lorry. therill, wearing the new court The lorry driver, Kevin Pavy, dress suit presented to him from Taunton was fined at an yesterday by the Federation of Merchant Tailors. Mr Weatheearlier hearing after admitting parking on the motorway hard shoulder. rill is a former tailor.

trustees and formerly a strong were on view. The external walls French milk meets a

Another new look for National Gallery

more, Owings and Merrill, but they

were overruled by a majority

obvious signs of a compromise,

incorporates a so-called tower of

less than 100 ft, surmounted by

aluminium masts intended to comp-

lement the spire of St Martin in the

courtyard and sunken garden,

which are said to have found favour

with the assessors and the public at

the time the competition designs

It also includes a circular internal

The latest plan, which bears

decision of the judging panel.

Fields nearby.

argues that the review is unacceptable because its terms.

mean any extra money for its

other local authority workers.

hours a week to 35, premium payments for shift work and

irregular hours, and better pay

acting under government in-

Nalgo estimated that about

which showed the strength of

15.000 demonstrated yesterday

feeling among the member-ship". The police put estimated

Nalgo wants a cut from 39 analysis can be carried out.

for working weekends and public holidays. That would constitute parity with other local authority white-collar workers, Nalgo says. The employers argue that the claim would increase the wage bill for workers in the homes by 50 per cent and they canno

A Nalgo spokesman said last night he was sure that members would vote for the action and that the employers could not negotiate because they were

> A private trolley service of sandwiches and soft drinks was to have been operated by Mr

£14,000 for steer

The supreme champion of the Smithfield Show, a cross bred Charolais-Aberdeen Angus steer weighing 1,250lb, was auctioned yesterday £14,000, equal to last year's record price. The animal was owned by Mr John Lascalles, of Carnoustic, Angus.

Shell peace move

Craftsmen at Shell's refinery in Hanlow, Cheshire, voted yesterday to end their eightweek wage dispute and return to work tomorrow unless their sport union colleagues meeting today, reject the 6.2 per cent offer.

injured jumping from a win

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspor

Rarities selling for auction price records have been the order of the day in the United States and Britain in the past 24

Speaker's new suit

In London, Sotheby's sold the most important painting by Gustav Klimt, presiding genius of the Vienna Secession, to be seen on the market for many years for £682,000 (estimate £600,000-£800,000). It depicts a medieval knight in gold armour on a black horse and is titled

Phillips secured an auction record for a platform ticket at £374 (estimate £60-£120). The ticket allows the bearr access to platforms of Ludgate Hill, Station on the South-Eastern and Chatham line.

sales veto

April.

the subject of dairy industry protests has been allowed to enter Britain: but the importer has been told that it must not be offered for sale yet.

East Sussex, last Thursday are understood to have shown that it contains too much water. The importers have promised not to sell the milk until further

Rail union halts private catering

launch of the first private is screened. catering service for British Rail trains, due to start on Monday on the Glasgow and Dumfries to Stranger lines.

"Das Leben ein Kampf".

(estimate £100-£200) for a Marklin clockwork handpainted

would be clad in Bath and Portland

The prospective developers are

Tralfalgar House will apply to

Westminster City Council for planning permission next week. The application will then be called

in by Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretay

of State for the Environment, and a

public inquiry is scheduled for next

Lord Annan, chairman of the

Trafalgar House, whose chairman, Mr Nigel Broackes, said that his firm would probably occupy the

stone and in glass.

lower floors.

The consignment of long life milk from France that has been

Tests conducted on the milk since it arrived at Newhaven,

Newhaven port health authority said that the importers of the 20,000 litres of semi-skimmed milk had been told that selling it would contravene the Food and Drugs Act.

TV home fire

Fire yesterday destroyed the council house in Reading, Berkshire, of the Wilkins family, who appeared in the BBC's 1970s documentary, The Family, now being repeated on BBC 2. Mr Christopher Wilkins, aged 19, was seriously

Sale room

Top price rarities

electric train car, dating from before the First World War.

Sotheby's in New York set an auction record for Chinese jade, selling a brownish-yellow belthook and pendant mask of the Warring States Period for \$396,000 (£270,307).

At Barnes, Torquay, Koop-man headed a consortium of three London dealers who paid £49,500 for a Victorian parcelgilt table service designed by A. A. Willms in the Pompeian manner and shown at the International Exhibition of

It comprises five candelabras two winecoolers and 12 stands supporting dishes of various sizes. It was a gift from the Midland Railway Company to S, Beale, Esq. MP, its chairman, in

Nuclear film needs no reply, IBA says

in the world.

end of 1987.

lance the nuclear disaster film The Day After if Mr Michael Heseltine does not take part in the discussion which will follow screening of the programme on

The authority regards the film as fiction which does not require other material to provide balance.

Mr Heseltine, the Secretary of State for Defence, has objected to the United States programme because he says it misrepresents nuclear deterrence, and he has written to the IBA asking for the opportunity to redress the bias.

Yorkshire Television has invited him to appear in the discussion programme, but it is understood that he is pressing The National Union of to appear in a separate inter-Railwaymen has blocked the view immediately after the film

Few of Britain's houses will remain standing after a major nuclear attack, according to a report which casts strong doubt on the Government's civil defence policy (Pat Healy

writes). and Social Housing Foun-dation, based in Coalville, Leicestershire, says that most houses will be destroyed or rendered uninhabitable by blast

It says existing houses can provide only limited protection

The Independent Broadcast- and adds that there is no ing Authority will not provide appreciable way that this can be any other right of reply to improved.

supporter of the Skidmore design, said yesterday that he hoped the extension could be completed by the

The trustees had expressed

reservations about the stepped

profile of the top of the tower and

the mast structure above it, he said.

But they were entirely satisfied with

the space provided for the gallery

and the layout of the rooms, which

would house its collection of Early

Renaissance paintings, probably the finest and most representative

No one satisfied, page 12

People who build "refuge rooms" inside their homes will get some protection from radioactive fallout, but not to the extent claimed by the Government, the report says.

"The only 'safe' option for a householder whose home is likely to suffer severe blast from it as possible in an area where the blast wave has declined in its destructive

The foundation, which is a registered charity concentration on research and education on the science, development, construction and management of housing, commissioned the research in the light of the call by US Roman Catholic bishops earlier this year for attention to existing civil defence pro-

Group Captain Leonard Cheshire VC, who was the official British observer of the atomic bombing of Nagasaki in 1945, opposes unilateral auclear disarmament in a Roman Catholic pamplet published The report, from the Building today (Our Religious Correspondent writes).

> Deterrence could prevent nuclear attack or nuclear blackmail, he states, whereas disarmament by one side would leave it with no effective defence.

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Korchnoi's stamina and resistance weaken

By Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent

The Hungarian grandmaster Zoltan Ribli resigned the seventh game against Vassily Smyslov in the Acorn Computers World Championship semi-finals in London on Tuesday without resuming play. This had been adjourned

after Smyslov's forty-second move and Ribli sealed the move 42 . . . Q-R8 ch. It was obvious. however, that Smyslov's king would soon escape the checks, after which Ribli's position was hopeless. His resignation made the score Smyslov 44, Ribli 24, This meant that the former world champion needed only two more points to win the match.

the other semi-final Victor Korchnoi's stamina and resistance appear to be weakening. His loss of the sixth game was significant and his play in the seventh game on Tuesday confirmed this weakness. Kasparov opened with the

Catalan System, as he had done on a number of occasions and Korchnoi adopted a simple, almost naive, way of meeting it with the result that by move 15 Kasparov enjoyed a small but clear advantage with his King's bishop exerting much pressure along the long diagonal. On move 16 Kasparov made

a fine pawn sacrifice that opened up fresh lines for his pieces. He soon regained the pawn and for good measure by move 21 he was a pawn up with his bishop now sweeping the whole diagonal.

Up to this point Korchnoi had been making moves more quickly than his opponent, but from now on he played at almost lightning speed in an Masterpiece of reader, page 14 | attempt to hustle Kasparov.



moves than his adversary, and when Korchnoi resigned on the forty-sixth move Kasparov had taken only one hour and twenty minutes, as against his opponent's two hours and twelve So the score was Kasparov 4.





This proved quite the wrong policy as the younger player was continually finding better

Korchnoi 3. Seventh game White Kasparov, Black Korchnol Q.G.D. Catalan System

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Social trends: 1

Nation of greater material wealth but less emotional stability

and employed families emerge today from Social Trends, the Government's annual view of

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British life.
But the Central Statistical Office's compendium also shows a small rise in real incomes last year and more people owning their houses and deep freezes, colour televisions, remarried within three years, dishwashers, washing machines and 52 per cent had done so

The statistics show a steady rise in illegitimate births, to 14 per cent of the total in England and Wales last year against 6 per cent in 1961, and among from 2.5 per cent in 1961 to teenage mothers the number of almost 5 per cent last year.

The percentage of people; illegitimate births outstripped legitimate births for the first living alone has also increased time: 29,000 against 27,000 in the same period, from 4 per Many of these, however, were cent to 9 per cent. That rise is jointly registered by both chiefly due to the increase in parents: 46 per cent against 34 widows and widowers among per cent in 1975.

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cent of partners up to the age of with a steep increase in those 34 marrying for the first time in aged over 75 and 85. the period 1979 to 1981, against Nearly half of women aged

divorce rate after dipping in 1981 rose again last year to 159,000, almost double the number of a decade earlier.

The desire to try again remains common, however. Nearly a quarter of women aged under 35 who separated between 1970 and 1974 had within six years.

The increase in divorce and illegitimate births means the proportion of lone parents with dependent children has doubled

More people are living are expected to remain fairly together before marriage: 21 per steady until the year 2000, but

A nation with more divorce, more illegitimate births, more people living alone, and a wider income between unemployed timed to decline, but the almost doubled to 21 per cent.

This is partly because in the same period it became more men over 65 living alone has almost doubled to 21 per cent. Living alone does not necess-

arily equate with loneliness, but almost certainly it tends to", the report says.

While real spending in

pensioner households has risen by 40 per cent since 1959, the gains made by pensioners have almost certainly failed to match those enjoyed by the rest of the population, the report says in a special section on the elderly.

However, "it is now unusual find an elderly person without a television set or a refrigerator or a washing machine and more than half have a telephone, a rare piece of apparatus in the homes of alderly people in 1959".

The report also shows that unemployment tends increasingly to be concentrated in families. Between 1976 and 1982, it has become increasingly less likely for the unemployed head of a household to have another worker in the family,

working.

"One result of these trends is that the gap between the average gross income of house-holds with unemployed heads and those of households with employed heads has widened in recent years."

In April this year, there were three million unemployed of whom a fifth had been out of work for more than two years and another fifth had been jobless for more than a year. The survey also shows that

Britain's record as a nation of

animal lovers is in decline, that people are sending more greet-ings cards but fewer social letters, and that the nation is becoming noisier at home. Relatively fewer households kept pets in 1982 than in 1959 with only dogs maintaining their popularity, while cats, budgerigars and other pets lost

British at play: Hard-drinking sportsmen

Leisure last year was dominated by outdoor activities, more people taking part in sports such as aquash, swim-ming and tennis than going to greyhound or horse races. football or cricket matches.

Many so-called minority sports were much more popular than in 1971; badminton, for example, had 109,000 club players against 66,000 in 1971, while there were 50,000 amateur boxers, an increase of

When Britons were not chasing shuttlecocks or knocking the stuffing out of each other, they were spending most of their spare cash on drink, topping the list in all income

As they enjoyed their favourite tipple, they spent less time watching television and more listening to the radio.

The report says the largest increase between 1976 and 1982 was in listening to independent local radio, which doubled over the period, reflecting not only increased popularity but the rise in the number of local stations.

But BBC national radio networks still accounted for most listening time. Radio I was the most popular service with 15.4 per cent of the proved less popular. Only 60

Attendances at sporting events

*Footbell League matches English
Scottish
Greyhound racing
Motor sports
Horse racing
1Motorcycle sports
Rugby Lasgue
Test, county cricket
Rugby Union (Eng)
Basketball:
England 4,500 8,800 n/a 4,200

"Footbell attendance figures are for the seasons 1982-3 and 1971-2. League attendances break down to Division 1, 9.296m (14.485m); Div 2, 4.975m (6.769m); Div 3, 2.944m (4.697m); Div 4, 1.562m (2.749m), 1971-2 figures in parentheses.

population aged four years and over listening on an average day. Independent radio had the second largest audience, with 13.7 per cent.

In June this year the average television viewer watched BBC1 for nearly an hour a day, BBC2 for 20 minutes, indepen-dent television for just under an hour and 10 minutes and Channel 4 for only six minutes.

1,452 1,482 60.2m 175m 177.4p 34.3p Nomesions Average charge "The number of cinemas has fallen from 1,420 in 1971 to 803 last year, but the number of screens has remained almost constant with the advent of multi-screen complexes.

Source: Department of Tracks and Industr

Source: British Tourist Authors

million cinema tickets were sold in 1982, about 65 per cent down

A full house at bingo was also becoming rarer. The number of clubs fell every year from 1978; in that year there were 1,775; last year 1,556. The amount staked on bingo fell from £491m to £464m between 1981

people. Although the estimated amount of money staked in gambling clubs in the year ended August 1982 was £1,007m compared with £930m

> Fewer holidays were taken last year but more of them were spent abroad: up from 13 million to 14 million. Spain remained the most popular destination overseas, its share of total foreign holidays rising from 26 per cent in 1981 to 30

the previous year, the number of clubs had fallen from 126 to

per cent last year. The only destination to show a substantial fall in its share was the United States.

And although, next to alcohol, people spent most of their spare cash on television, radio and musical instruments households with gross weekly income of £240 or more spent a greater amount on their holi-

The British continued to buy, borrow and read books; but they also used libraries to take out video tapes when they became available. More than 14 issues were made in

Tomorrow: Education What people earn, page 17

Wife sees heart-lung transplant patient By Thomson Prentice, Medical Reporter

"It is a practice which has

therefore been of great econ-

Mr John Norris, of the omic benefit to cereal growers 50,000-member Country Land- and its continuation is crucial to owners' Association, said that successful cereal production.

Less than 24 hours after his good as we hoped it would be peration, Lars Ljungberg, aged. We are very pleased." operation, Lars Ljungberg, aged 32, took a breath with his new 32, took a breath with his new hungs yesterday and waved to journalist, had waited six weeks his wife to signal the initial at the hospital until donor organs for the operation were bined heart and lungs trans-plant Later she was able to join Mr Ljungberg was able to him at his bedside and they breathe yesterday without the

spoke briefly.

Mr Magdi Yacoub, who time since the operation. carried out the operation at The operation cost £20,000. Harefield Hospital, West Lon-It was paid for by Mr don, with a team of almost Ljungberg's local health authtwenty surgeons, technicians ority in Sweden where heart and nurses, said: "Progress is as transplants are not permitted.

by-law on straw burning to ensure there is enough time for

local authorities to enforce it

during next year's harvest.

Hansard goes on computer

Electronics Correspon

The text of the House of Commons Official Report, Hansard, the record of parliamentary debates and business, is being made available on computer terminals.

The service offered by the British computer software (programs) group, Scicon, is an extension of the system that the aid of a ventilator for the first company began in late 1980 listing indexes of Hansard entries. That system acquired the acronym Polis (Parliamentary On-Line Information Ser-

Straw burning code urged Scicon has more than 100 clients outside the Commons attached to its network. They Landowners yesterday called without straw burning there are in central and local govern on the Government to publish would be a drop in the before Christmas its new model proportion of winter sown by-law on straw burning to cereals which had been responment, the trade and profes institutions, the media, business, and academic life. sible for record yields.

According to the computer group, a market survey in the autumn of last year indicated that there was an appreciable demand by those who used the index servee to have access to the full text on screen.

The text available is intended to start on November 3, 1982, when the last session of Parliament began. The group's computer

based in Milton Keynes in Buckinghamshire and the Han-



New police chief: Mr Donald Elliott (above), aged was yesterday appointed Chief Constable of Devon. He takes over from Mr David East, aged 47, who left Devon in October to become Chief Constable of South Wales.

£5 farmhand loses plea for compensation

A claim by Mr George Allsop, aged 66, a farmhand, for compensation from a couple he helped for 15 years was rejected by an industrial tribunal in Birmingham yesterday.

Mr Allsop claimed he was paid £5 a week for helping to look after livestock at the farm of Mr Robert Morris, a businessman, and his wife, at Stoke Bliss, near Tenbury Wells, Hereford and Worcester. But the tribunal ruled that Mr Allsop was never employed by Mr Morris.

Conflict over 'fresh' milk

A dairy farmer who labelled as "fresh" milk supplied straight from the cow to the customer has been told he may lose his licence unless removes the offending word. Mr Hugh Blackburne was warned by the Ministry of put in containers and sold Agriculture after he began to sell immediately is not fresh, but milk that was not bought by the that the same milk when taken big dairies from his farm in Haley, Surrey. It was labelled "Fresh Jersey milk" and "Rew and unpasteurized". The minis-try ruled that Mr Blackburne's

Mr Blackburne said: "It seems a bit drastic for them to threaten to withdraw my licence, but they always say it is due to EEC regulations.

"What annoys me is that they say milk straight from the cow, away, pasteurized and delivered two days later, is." Mr Blackburne has submitted

a different label to the ministry which still describes the product milk could not be called as "fresh", but also includes the

Julie McKnight, aged one, was killed and her two sisters

Meat import warning to shoppers

The Ministry of Agriculture Meat imported commercially

meat products to Customs.

Continent and it is feared that may be tempted to buy things products which are quite safe like bacon, ham, salami and for human consumption could success. spread infection to Britain,

has issued a warning that people must carry veterinary certificationing from Christmas shop- cation that it comes from ping exeditions abroad must disease-free areas and healthy deciare all uncooked meats and animals. But stores and supermarkets in continental Channel There have been a number of ports are expecting a record outbreaks of swine fever and number of British visitors in the other animal diseases on the next two weeks, many of whom

products from all countries offal and uncooked pork.



The Princess of Wales during a visit yesterday to the Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Activities Centre at Bursledon, near Southampton, which provides sports for disabled people.

Sales boom may save post offices

The success of counter created by the Post Office in the past year, including the sale of bus passes, travellers' cheques and items from mail order catalogues. could reprieve many of the post

because of unprofitability.

The new sevices will be crucial to the Post Office's 9,533 town sub-post offices. The asions on these findings, the result of a three-month Post Office study, are to be made in the new year. The survey was the first comprehensive one on post offices to be conducted in

About 269 main offices are believed to be marginal in their commercial performance, with 172 making a lose. More than 2.5 million bus

passes are now being sold every year through post offices. In London one million pensioners' passes are sold, while about the same number for all age groups are being sold in West York-

The Post Office has introcompensate for revenue lost through the decision two years ago to pay social security benefits directly by cheque.

Customers can now order goods from some mail order ratalogues at post offices using extension of Girobank.

Items advertised in special television campaigns can now be purchased at post offices through a service called Teleshop. These goods include general household products and have been advertised in the Grampian, Border, Tyne-Tees, Yorkshire and Television South-West regions.

Sterling travellers' cheques and a photographic service called Bonusprint are also available in most of the 20,000

Diana Dors postpones writ over fan mail

Miss Diana Dors yesterday adjourned her application for an injunction against her employers at TV-am over 3,000 fan mail letters for one week, in the hope that they can settle the matter out of court. She had issued a High Court

writ for the company to return the letters, many of which requested a diet calculator shaped in her recent "figi against flah" on the Good Morning Britain show. Miss Dors, aged 52, said outside the Law Courts in London yesterday: "I hope that it can all be settled amicably. I am very sorry that they kept the letters.



Diana Dors: Dispute with TV-am

Miss Dors gave the brand name of the calculator, which weapon" which belped her to lose 54b.

She said yesterday: "I have no financial interest in the calculator at all. But TV-am, who sponsored my diet, said I was breaking IBA rules by illegally advertising in normal air time and the letters belonged to these.
"I have apologized to them if I was breaking any rules and

even offerd to resign but they said 'no'. They told me my show had hoisted them in the ratings. I shall be going into work as normal this Friday. Nobody has told me not to."

Less bread eaten at home Consumption of bread

British homes has fallen by more than 40 per cent in the past 30 years, although 10 million large loaves are still eaten daily, according to a report published yesterday. In Britain consumption a head a week has fallen from 560z in 1954 to less than 320z

last year. During this time, however, the population has increased from 51 million to 55

million and "considerably more; bread is now eaten outside the ation of Bakers. "The amount of bread eaten in canteens, cafes, restaurants. pubs and so on has been growing over recent years and may now be equivalent to about

20 per cent of the household: figure", the report said.
The Welsh cat more bread than anyone else in Britain, consuming 36.8oz a head a week, followed by the Scots at 35.2oz. The least bread is eaten in the South-east and in East Anglia - 27.60z a head. Brown bread accounts for less than 18 per cent of total tales.

Coward plays for Radio 4

Five Noël Coward plays, Blithe Spirit, Hay Fever, Brief Encounter, Private Lives, and Desing for Living, are among Radio 4 Christmas pro-

grammes, announced yesterday.
Repeats of the popular Quote,
Unquote, Desert Island Discs,
Just a Minute and Down Your Way programmes will be heard each weekday over the holiday periods. They are among the most requested shows, the BBC

Charities given bank building

National Westminster Bank is giving a five-storey building in Brixton, south London, valued at £500,000, to a group of charities to be used for belping and educating disabled people. The bank had used the building as a computer centre.

The donation is the largest The donation is the largest single allocation from the bank's £1.2m inner city development programme which will be fully assigned by next April.

Fire kills baby

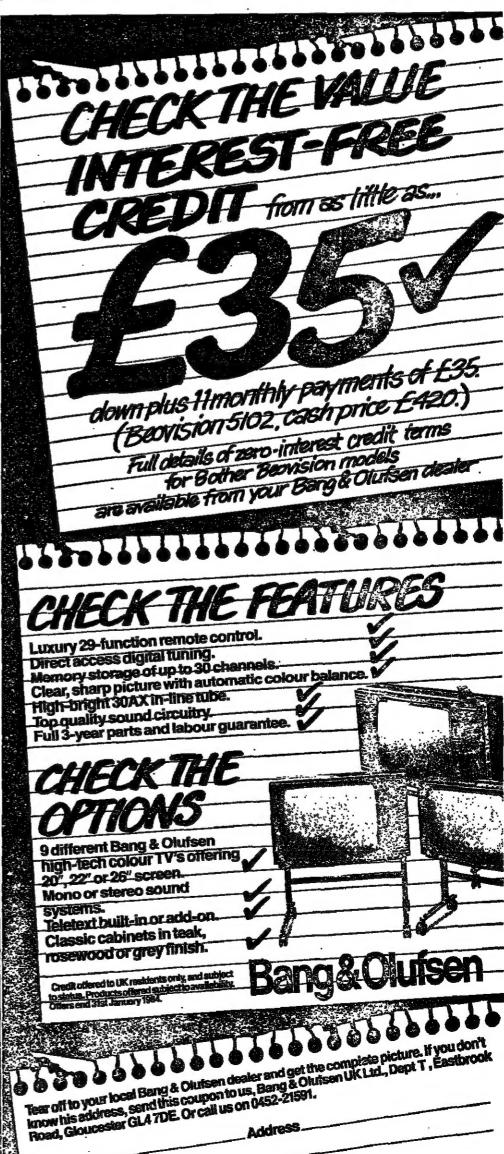
were injured when a fire swept a flat in Lower Line Road, Oldham, Greater Manchester

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

words "untreated milk".

except France, and a total prohibition on poultrymeat,

Although there is a standard allowance of one kilogram of other meats and one kilogram if of meat products, the ministry. would like to discourage people it from bringing in any meat at all because it does not travel well and may be a health heard.



BARGAIN BASEMENT

... DUE TO RECONSTRUCTION WORK WE'VE PUT HEAPS OF BARGAINS IN THE BASEMENT BUT IT'S BUSINESS AS USUAL

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EEC SUMMIT

It was regrettable that the European Council of heads of state and government meeting in Athens earlier this week was not able to make the necessary progress for the next stage of the Community's development. Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said odgetary burden and an ei control of agricultural and other expenditure. There was no such

agreement and therefore for the United Kingdom the question of an increase of the Community's resources did not arise. Mrs Thatcher said: At its previous meeting in Stuttgart the European Council had agreed that it was essential at this stage to consider the long-term future of the European Community and to tackle certain

fundamental problems - in particu-iar, agricultural surpluses, effective ontrol of Community spending; nd a fairer distribution of the orden of financing the Com-

We were all agreed that the Stuttgart package had to be taken as a whole and that decisions on each item depended on agreement on the

Unfortunately, the Community was not ready at Athens to take the necessary decisions. A number of member styates wished to follow past practices and adopt a number

On agriculture, the main issues discussed at Athens were price policy and the limitation of open ended guarantees; action to curb the policy; the proposed oils and fats tax: and montary compensatory

of view on price policy, on the volume of milk that might be subject to quota and superlevy and on various requests and proposals. from some countries for exemp-

price policy is essential; that any other arrangements for milk such as a superlevy should be non-discrimi-natory; and that the surpluses of many other Community products need to be dealt with as well. Four member states, including the United Kingdom, made it clear that the

monetary compensatory amounts, the differences between-France and Germany were not

With regard to the unfair budgetary burden, there was some recognition that a lasting solution must be found which would put limits on the net contributions of the member states - limits which are related to ability to pay. This would be implemented by correct-ing the VAT contribution of the

following year.

The majority of countries wished to establish a lasting system on the above lines which would be part and parcel of any decision on new resources. Unfortunately, although preparatory negotiations on this matter had made considerable progress, not all member states agreed to this approach and, accordingly, no decisions could be taken.

Similarly, with the problem of increasing Community expenditure, the will to control it effectively was just not present at the Athens teeting. Even the ideas recently advanced

by the French Government were not accepted by all countries as a basis for discussion. I made it clear that there must be strict guidelines for agricultural spending which must be embodied in the budgetary pro-cedures of the Community. Unless the agricultural and financial issues can be resolved, the resources for new policies such as cooperation in research and devel-opment are very limited indeed though many of us recognize that in the long run they are very important

and that room should be made for International questions such as Cyprus and the Lebanon were not discussed in plenary session but were, of course, much discussed in Manager and Course, much discussed to Manager and Course, much discussed to Manager and Manager an outside it. No official statements were issued on these or any other

My Neil Knanck, Leader or the Opposition (Islwyn, Lab): Yesterday we were given what we interpreted as a genuine undertaking that we could look forward to a statement from the Prime Minister in the course of the Government's review of the British presence in Beirut. No such statement has been forth-coming in this statement. There is great concern, especially in the wake of reports that a British Landrover has been knocked out and that British forces have been water first that

are used to that from the banana skin Prime Minister. On her return from the Stuttgart summit in late June she said she expected great success in Athens on bugdetary reform, equitable sharing of burdens and control of expenditure. She is quoted in today's

newspapers as saying that the deepeaing crisis will sharpen her partners' minds and that they will be brought to order by the Burssels meeting in March. What does she think will change between Athens in December and Proposition of the control of



Rippon: Open failure better than pretended success

reforms are more likely under the French presidency of the Council than they have been under the Greek presidency?

Thanks to the failure in Athens we have no agreement on the 1984 rebate for 1983 which was agreed in Stuttgart. Who suffers most pressure in the build-up to Brussels from that ourselves or countries whose governments opposed significant reforms in the system of financing? she make in Athens to the positive member governme

continent of Europe?
In his autumn financial statement
the Chancellor budgeted for £420m or a 50 per cent increase in United Kingdom spending on agricultural intervention next year. Was the signal given by the Chancelor deliberate or was it sheet supidity?

Does she not recognize that negotiating posture at the Athens summit? So not all these considerations leave us worse off now than negotiating posture at the Athens summit? So not all these considerations leave us worse off now than when she went to Athens?

She can make much greater the Athens Common Market is not in default with Britain. That 750 million is due by the last day of March. I believe that Mr Kinnock would like it to default.

for any increase on our own-resources VAT contribution. Will she insist in the farm price review next year that if no progress has been made there will be a reduction in British farm prices to reduce the cost to the common agricultural policy? Will she declare her determination

to withold all or part of our contribution until agreement is reached upon fundamental changes in the Common Market which will remove the persistent disadvantages of British membership? Unless she is prepared to take such action none

believe that we must continue to consult those countries who are also involved in the multinational force and that decisions must be taken together. The British contine very much valued by all parts of the Lebanese community. They would be upset, even dismayed, if our very valuable force, small though it may be, were to pull out.

There would be considerable repercussions not only among the various communities in the Lebavarious communities in the Lebanon and the Arab and Jewish
communities beyond but within the
Alliance if there were to be any
suggestion that we should unilaterally pull out or be thought in any to
be leading a retreat. We will not.

Mr Kinnock has no idea of how
difficult it is to get agreement between 10 countries when discus-sing the whole of the matter under

the purview of the European Community. When you are doing a fundamental job you have to get complete unanimity among all the partners. Their interests are very wish to carry on exactly as they are.
I doubt whether the Common Market will be in real financial difficulty until the autumn, but the present policies cannot carry on indefinitely because there will not be money for them to carry on. That is the point when we are most likely to get reform. If I had accepted some of the compromises that were put the compromises that were put ore us Mr Kinnock would really

be able to criticize. With regard to the 1983 rebate the 750 million Ecus agreed at Stuttgart are not yet in default. The because we are members of the Community. If we were to get out there would be a lot of investment

and jobs lost - not least in Wales.
With regard to the suggestion that
we withhold, the Common Market
is not in default with Britain yet and we are not in default of the Common Market. Let us try to keep things on a legal and honourable bases and hope that the 750 million Ecus will be forthcoming by the end

Mr Geoffrey Rippon (Hexham, C):
While agreeing it is probably better
to have an open failure at Athens
rather than a pretended success, it might be better not to have another meeting of heads of state and heads of governments until there is a firmer basis of agreement achieved

Mrs Thatcher said she had not wanted a patched-up compromise which would have been unsatisfac-

The next regular scheduled meeting is in March, I agree there is no point in accelerating or patting forward a meeting until much more preparatory work has been done on the detail. Some of the detail should be agreed by ministers be agreed by ministers.

Dr David Owen (Plymouth, Devonport, SNP) said Mrs Thatcher's position adopted at Athens had the support of most British people. What was more, it was in the Community's own interest. The SDP would support it.
On the Lebanon (he said) she has

rightly rejected cutting and running by the peacekeeping force. But, with our European partners, we should take a diplomatic initiative to establish the independence of the peacekeeping forces and the resto-ration of peace, and should urge on our American allies the need to look again at the Lebanese-Israeli agreement to take account of the ings of the Muslim population in Lebanon and the Syrian govern-ment position?

Mrs Thatcher said foreign ministers would meet on Thursday. Dr Owen's points would be pursued

Sir Peter Blaker (Blackpool South, C) said one objective should be closer consultation between the governments contributing to the multinational force. If Britain withchew her force unilaterally, that would defeat that objective. Mrs Thatcher said Britain had no intention of withdrawing unilaterally. It was valued.

Mrs Thatcher said that she had got a betted; solution than the one Mr Jenkins had said she had thrown

We meet frequently with our European partners but not so frequently with the united States, and this will be one value of the Nato and foreign ministers' meeting which will include Mr Schultz.

Mr Jack Ashley (Stoke on Trent South, Lab) said the Prime Minister deserved support from all sides of the House for her efforts to defend British interests so manufaguously. British interests so unambiguously.
But would she consider withdrawal of British payments to the EEC and also the preparation of coutingency arrangements for the break-up of the Community which would resume that the really means

Mrs Thatcher: On contingency Mrs Thances: On contingency arrangements, no. It would not be right to prepare for an event which I do not believe will occur.

On withholding, the EEC is not in default with us. Were it to default on ations then we should have to take steps to safeguard our

Mr Rey Jenkins (Glasgow, Hil-lhead, SDP) said Mrs Thatcher lhead, SDP) said Mrs Thatcher threw away a good solution three years ago in Brussels but there was nothing on which she could have settled in Athens, no serious resolve to get hold of agricultural spending She was right to play for time.



Ashley: Prepare for the break-up of Community

begin to disintegrate, the dan terms of money and security and Europe could far exceed even the issues discussed at Athens.

have strict financial guidelines and fair sharing of the burden and be prepared to key that new system into a possible agreement to extend

Thanker said that with an even larger Community of 12, some relationships were bound to be slightly looser because it was not possible to agree everything when there were disparate views.

She also agreed on the necessity She also agreed on the necessity for more cooperation on high technology. Europe had lost out to the Japanese and the United States here, though the EEC was a larger market and as wealthy as the US and much larger than Japan. She would like some room made from the agriculture budget to get more industrial cooperation and esprit. Sir Anthony Meyer (Clwyd North West, C) said Mrs Thatcher had universal support for her rigid defence of British interests. So did leaders of the other EEC members, many of whom were in a politically weaker position than her.

Is she content at this moment of exceptional peril (he said) to allow exercise a united, moderating influence on the United States?

Mrs Thatcher said that undoubtedly some of the decisions involved at Athens would be difficult to take some penalties and get some

Often it was the coalition governments that were in most difficulty. Mr Tam Dalyell (Linlithgow, Lab): Why does she think that Washing-ton treated us so cavalierly over the Lebanon air strike? Could it possibly be tit for tat over her disgraceful attitude to Washington in sending the fleet to the Falklands and the sinking of the Belgrano?

Mrs Thatcher: The United States

did not treat us in a cavalier fashion over the air strike. Decisions on selfdefence have to be taken on the spot and the cooperation between commanders of the multinational force on the spot is excellent. Mr David Crouch (Canterbury, C): So long as the role of the British force in the Lebanon is an inter-

lawlessness breaks out on

away. The fact that the stakes were high was an extra reason the Commanity should be prepared to why some weeks ago we sent a firm of Bucaneers to Cyprus to be there should they be needed, and two days

ago HMS Fearless arrived to help if been possible to get a United Nations supervisory force to take its place. It is technically possible, there is nothing to stop it except that so far the Soviet Union has not given

Mr Peter Temple-Merris (Leaminster, C): There is increasing reloctant reservation about the drift to continue unchecked, that could his concern at any increase in violence, first because of the violence itself and secondly because

Mr Paddy Ashdown (Yeovil, L): The Community is said to be running out of money. There will be considerable temptation for the Community to dip into the regional and social funds in order to offset the deficit in agriculture and other

Lebanon will be having soon it

of the Common Market. Mrs Thatcher: Community funds have to be used in accordance with the rules. I hope the two funds will be kept separate. I do not accept we must have enlargement of the fund at any price, except with the strict guidelines of financial control in the budgetary procedure.

• When the statement was repeated in the House of Lords Viscount Whitelaw, Lord President House, denied, in reply to Lord Molloy (Lab), that Mrs Thatcher was being "pushed around".

I have never (he said) heard of anyone pushing her around. She was pushing them around. (Laughter and cheers) She will stand up for our

disagreement at Athens was a "lamentable defeat for the Govern-

Government determined to get the right answers

EEC FINANCE

The conclusions of the EEC summit in Athens had, of course, been disappointing to the Government, but a solution to the problems had to be found. Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Relations, said during question time in

Sir Geoffrey Howe had said that the conditions in which the British Government would consider an increase in own resources were unckanged since the Prime Minister ad spelt them out at the European Council in Statteart in June. Before of agricultural and other expenditure and an arrangement to ensure a proper answers to these questions. fair sharing of the Community's Later, Sir Geoffrey Howe sai there was no meetion of the financial burden. The Prime Minister confirmed that in Athens

vesterday (Tuesday). Mr Tony Marlow (Northampton, North, C): Would it not be sensible to concentrate on one thing at a time and delay discussion of the entry of Spain and Portugal until the EEC has sorted out the United Kingdom contribution and the common agricultural policy? The Government should make clear that until the CAP has been sorted out, there can be no increase in our own

Sir Geoffrey Howe: Obviously the manner and order in which these subjects are discussed will be decided in the light of the failure to reach agreement in Athens.

Mr Robin Cook, chief Opposition spokesman on European and Community affairs. In Athens the Government failed to get any of the conditions it set out for an increase in own resources.
Will be confirm that the proposed modulation of VAT discussed at Athens would not meet the British

position on budgetary matters since it leaves untouched the customs levy and ignores the import levies which are the real cause of British disadvantage in the budget.
Will he tell us that under present
circumstances there is no prospect of Parliament being to asked to increase the levies paid by the British people to finance agriculture expenditure which the Community, all too self-evidently, has no

intention of reforming. Sir Geoffrey Howe: Of course the conclusions of the summit are disappointing to the Government, and should be to all of us, because it is a smallly interested that is crucially important that the Community should resolve these

questions.

He is wrong to say that the Government failed to establish its position. It was crystal clear. We want the Community to resolve

operated solely by abatement of contributions of VAT. But modualtion of VAT can take various forms which would not achiecve that It would be wrong for the House to conclude that there is no prosperit of resolution of these important

questions, of not being prepared to accept the facts, as he does, but the problems have to be resolved. Labour MPs: When? Sir Geoffrey Howe: It does not lie vithin the power of the British

It is time that Mr Cook, instead of sitting back and expressing pleasure at the absence of agreement, recognized the importance of our

Later, Sir Geoffrey Howe said there was no question of the Government accepting a humiliat-ing climb-down on the CAP following the Athens summit.

Mir John Moxton (Glasgow, Catheart, Lab): Since it is clear that France and other countries will not even accept the most minor change in the CAP, how on earth does the



Beaumout-Dark: Food we do not want

Foreign Secretary expect them to accept the major changes that this Government and this House expects If it is the case that they will not accept it, is the Government going to create a major constitutional crisis over Europe or is it going yet again to go in for a humiliating climb-down on this issue?

Sir Geoffrey Hows: There is no question of this Government making a humiliating climb-down on this or any other issue. There was widespread recognition throughout negotiations at Athens of the need

negotations at Athens of the need to ensure fundamental reform of the CAP.

There was before us a French document recognizing the need for control of Community expenditure, so the topic was plainly under discussion. Unfortunately that will did not an for enough to secure discussion. Unfortunately that will did not go far enough to secure sufficiently effective control. That is

prenered to accept that con Mr Anthony Beaumont-Dark (Bir-mingham, Selly Oak, C): Would not one of the best mechanisms of controlling the CAP be to stop farmers growing food we do not Sir Geoffrey Home: That is a shrewd and perceptive observation. (Laugh-ter) Control of agricultural surpluses

of the issues on which we and other states were prepared to agree, but agreement did not spread for enoush vesterday. Mr Ioan Evans (Cynon Valley, Lab); There is scandalous destruction of fruit, vegetables and dairy food. When is the Government going to achieving headway on these matters and recognizing above all, that the British Government's position is clear, in its determination to get

stopping any resources going into the Common Market unless this is sorted out? Six Geoffrey Howe: Agricultura protection regimes in many other countries have unintended effects of the kind he describes. That is one of the reasons why our stand is directed to secure effective control of the growth of agricultural

expenditure and a proper regime within the Community to tackle precisely problems of that kind. Mr Edward Taylor (Southend East, C): Most of us would accept that the Government has done a great service by making it clear it believed CAP expenditure should be con-tained and controlled. But there are quite a number of us who have listened to the debate and all the statements and still have not the slightest idea of how precisely the Government think that containing

or restraining should actually be done. (Labour theers) Sir Geoffrey Flowe: The essence of the approach is that there must be a proper limit on the size of expenditure on agriculture policy accompanied by effective controls. Mr Robin Cook, chief Opposition spokesman: If this Government is so committed to effective control over agriculture, why is the Chancellor budgeting for a 15 per cent increase in expenditure on agriculture intervention?

Sir Geoffrey Howe: There is no conclusion on what the outcome of these negotiations will be. The House should be in no doubt after the debate last week that one of the conditions for a successful conclusion of the Stuttgart-Athens agenda is achieving effective control in the rate of agriculture expendi-

Anxieties of MPs drawn to attention of US

MIDDLE EAST force in the Lebanon to act in a fashion which was consistent with

He avoided concurring wat House and rebuked Mr Desis
Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, who said the
Foreign Secretary had been led up
the garden path by the US
Administration on the Lebanon just
the ball of the Comments. as he had over Grenada. SDP: Does the Foreign Secretary
Sir Geoffrey Howe said the lack of a still believe that there can be no progress towards a comprehensive peace settlement in the Middle East

President Resean's proposals of September ! 1982 still offer a realistic basis for negotiation. The parties directly concerned have the primary responsibility for have the primary responsibility for reaching a settlement. But we shall continue to play an active role in urging them to settle their differ-ences by negotiation.

Calke Abbey

consortium

suggested

contents to the Government in lieu of taxes to be handed over to the

National Trust with the house to be eventually opened to the public. Mr Machirlane said the Govern-

ment did not dissent from the view

that Calke Abbey was an important

building and one of considerable historical and architectural interest.

though he questioned some of the more extravagant claims made for

The Government was not

was deeply dissippointing.

the present highly dangerous situation in the Middle East would striation in the tender East would be for the European Community to sponsor a conference at which all the relevant parties, and both the United States and the Soviet Union. Security States and the Secretary do something to persuade our Americal friends that this is a reality?

Six Geeffrey Hows, I certainly take note of the suggestion. It is important that every possible alternative should be carefully examined. I am not sure that particular suggestion would be the easiest way of making progress. Mr John Cartwight (Woolwich, lasting peace in the Middle East that does not recognize that the Donald Rumsfeld, today (Wednes-Palestinians have the same right to a day) and will meet in Brussels

this earth?

If this is still the policy of the

Mr Dennis Walters (Westbury, C), it would be a serious mistake if they who began the exchanges, said one of the most effective ways to defuse possibility of a peaceful solution as a result of the recent upheavals, and that they should be prepared to let Israel live in peace. Mr. Peter Temple-Marris (Leominster, C): Many of America's friends and allies have serious

reservations about her policy and its application in the Middle East. application in the windle case.

Does the Foreign Secretary think
that policy and the actions which
are furthering it are making it easier
or less easy for western Arab allies
in that very difficult area? Sir Geoffrey Howe. It is clearly important for the United States to

understand the anxieties that have been expressed in this House, and were on Monday. They have been drawn to the attention of the US. I have seen the President's special envoy in the Middle East, Mr Donald Rumsfeld, today (Wednesretary of State, Mr George Shultz, and the other foreign ministers in the multinational force and Nato. Mr Andrew Fands (Warley East, Lab): Was the Government con-sulted before the conclusion of the

discussions between the Israeli government and the United States were discussions between two countries discussing their bilateral relations and there was no discussion with us per se.

Mr Stephen Dorrell (Loughborough, C): While there is plenty of room for doubt about the deepening American involvement in the internal affairs of the Lebanou, by far the most important priority of this House is to defend the main Sir Geoffrey Howe: It is important

that even where there may be differences between members of the alliance we do not forget the fundamental importance of that to tration has a certain obligation to respect the importance of the

alliance in the decisions it takes on issues in other parts of the world. results in other parts of the world.

President Reagan torpedoed his own proposals for a Palestinian settlement which he made in September 1982 by making with the largeli government what its Prime

Minister described as a military

alliance and by using military force against Syria in the Lebanon in

Crown land to

be sold at

proper price

Legislation was urgently needed to ensure that when Crown land was

ensure that when Crown land was sold a proper price was obtained which fully reflected the development potential of the land, Mr Neil Macfarlane, Under Secretary of State for Environment said in moving the second reading of the Town and Country Planning Bill.

The Bill will make it possible for Crown land to be sold with the benefit of an arctival planning.

benefit of an actual planning

Mr Macfarlane said it was clearly in

the public interest that, when the Government was disposing of surplus land, the best possible price should be obtained.

It would be quite wrong to allow

the developer to make a windfall profit because the development potential was not fully reflected in the purchase price.

From the time of the 1947 planning legislation, which laid the foundation of the present system of

land use control, planning per-mission had not been required for

development by the Crown itself, and the Bill did not affect this

principle. When a landowner sold land for

It had always been recognized

pursuance of Presidential Directive 111 which was actually signed on The excuse given by the Minister of State, Mr Malcolm Rifkind, in the House on Monday that the US

action was taken in self-defence was blown out of the way by many reports in the American press from officials in the US administration that this action was decided lone before the reconnaissance aircra were fired on in the Bekea valley. Si Geoffrey Howe: It is certainly important for all the participants in the multinational force to play their part in that force in a fashion which

is consistent with their origins action in connexion with the Lebanon is something for them to

Mr Healey: The US adminis- Mr Healey: The Foreign Secretary was led up the garden path by the US administration over the Lebaover Grenada. Unless he is prepared to stick up for Britain inside the alliance, the alliance will founder. Sir Geoffrey Howe: Mr Healey

scarcely misses an opportunity to attack the US in regard to the alliance. He is too often attracted by the simple attraction of denouncing

Peer attacks racial literature

HOUSE OF LORDS

Pieces of literature which he described as examples of the most distorted and wicked racial incitement were brought into the House of Lords chamber by Lord Misheon (Lab), speaking for the Opposition, in a debate on the ethnic and religius minorities in Britain initiated by Viscount Buckmaster

Lord Mishcon said this literature was being put through people's letter boxes and handed out, in some cases, to children. He would the minister after the debate.

prosecutions could not be, or were not, brought and perhaps the relevent legislation had to be looked t closely again. He also mantioned marches

which bad only one object and that was to incite racial fear and hatred. What was being done about this? when a landowner sold land for development he would normally first obtain an outline planning permission for the proposed development, and the land would then be valued on the basis of that permission. The recent report on the Metropolitan Police had found a

disastrous lack of confidence in the police among young West Indians, and a level of racial prejudice in the force which gave cause for serious concern. Were the report's recommendations of the property of ommendations going to be carried

that when a Government department was selling surplus land, the department itself could not make such an application, and the practice had sometimes been adopted therefore of inviting either the prospective purchaser or a third party to make a mutually agreed. Lord Scarman (Ind) said it was a matter of some significance that the findings of the Brixton report by and large had so far stood the passage of time. They were now of necessity moving into a period where unless action was taken the plural society might well become a splintered society.

There should at all levels of government from the centre down

government from the centre down to local government be a concerned policy and direction to easure positive help and action was available for young blacks and to see there was a varient to the control of the control o there was a genuine equality in

there was a genuine equation society.

They should ensure that racially prejudiced conduct by the police was a specific disciplinary offence. The police were resisting this. Work was being done on the code of ethics. The code must have teeth and in some cases there must be severe nunishment and even instant.

the police was of great importance.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, We have always acknowledged that the Palestimans have to play a part in negotiations on their future. We still believe that Murdered assemblyman

ULSTER

When the future of Calke Abbey in Derbyshire was debated early this (Wednesday) morning. Mr Nell Macfarlane, Under Secretary of State for Environment, suggested all the interested parties should form a the interested parces should form a consortium to come up with alternative plans to preserve it.

The matter was raised in the Commons by Mrs Edwina Currie (South Derbyshire, C) who described the abbey and its contents as a perfect time capsule and quintessentially English. The owner had offered the house and its

Provisional TRA. Provisional TRA.

During the exchanges it was said that a member of the security forces had discussed his personal security with Mr Graham only last month, and that he had not asked for full

spokesman on Northern Ireland, said that no measures could guarantee security until the com-munities had learnt to live together. He appealed to those who under-standably felt a sense of outrage to realize that measures of retaliation and escalation of violence would only reward the murderers with the

Mr Butler agreed and added: If the one purpose behind this brutal murder, as I suspect, is to bring about a spate of retalintory measures. I share his view that this should not be allowed to happen. The Rev Martin Smyth (Belfast, South, OUP): Even at such short notice, can be tell us why the

advised on security

The problems of Northern Ireland could only be resolved when the two communities there had found ways communities there is an found ways of living harmoniously together, Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State for Northern Ireland said, after making a Commons statement about the killing of Mr Edgar Graham, a member of the Northern Ireland Assembly carlier in the day, by the Provisional IRA.

and that he had not asked for full personal protection, and nor was he offered it. Mr Peter Archer, Opposition

objective they had set out to achieve.

security forces, having been made sware of an imminent attack on a prominent unionist and having been made aware by me that the most vulnerable was Edgar Graham, no action was taken to provide the necessary protection now proved to have been needful? Mr Better: It is worth my putting on record that a meeting with Mr Graham was held on November 24

by a member of the Special Branch of the RUC who gave advice, both about further protection of his home and of his person. I understand that he did not ask for full personal Later be added that Mr Graham had not been offered that protection during the meeting which had been held at his bome.

Edgar Graham was yet another indication that the IRA was deliberately trying to push the Catholic and the Protestant communities into conflict 'As a Catholic and an Irishman, he found it particularly obscene to see photographs in the press and on television of Catholic priests openly

During exchanges in the Lords, Lord Fitt (Ind) said the murder of

associating with men who were masks and brandished guns.

A priest at the funeral of one of the IRA men said yesterday at the graveside that surely some law of nature was violated when irishmen were struck down in this way.
Would he apply the same standards
to Mr Graham's murder? There
could no longer be any double
standards. Murder was murder.

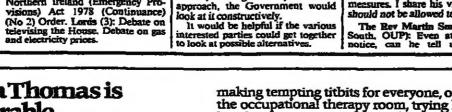
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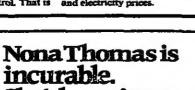
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Patrons: HM The Queen and HM The Queen Mother

prepared to use the acceptance in lieu mechanism as a means of providing endowment funds for the National Trust or any other bodies. National Trust or any other bodies. The Government was willing to look at any alternative proposals the trustees could put forward. If they or the National Heritage Memorial Fund or some consortium could develop a significantly different approach, the Government would look at it constructively. It would be helpful if the various interested parties could get together to look at possible alternatives. Parliament today Commons (2.30): Appropriation (No 3) (Northern Ireland) Order and Northern Ireland (Emergency Pro-visions) Act 1978 (Continuance)



She's learning to swim.

Nona Thomas was training as a nurse when illness forced her to change her profession. Eventually, even running a little knitting wool shop proved too much and she now lives at the RHHI, confined to a wheelchair. Nona suffers from Spinal Muscular

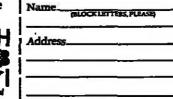
making tempting titbits for everyone, or in the occupational therapy room, trying her hand at pottery or painting. She's even learning to swim in the hydrotherapy pool despite her fear of water and she goes on

outings whenever possible. We care for over 270 incurable patients like Nona and through individual medical attention, therapy and nursing, we try to retrieve as much of their independence

as possible. Atrophy which restricts her very severely, but she doesn't let these limitations beat her. She's often in the patients' kitchen,

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For one reason or another

party to make a mutually agreed application for planning permission. The Government had concluded that this practice was invalid. Mr David Clark, an Opposition spacetraps of the control spokesman on the environment, said they accepted the need for the Bill, which became apparent as Bill, which became apparent as a result of the Government's policy in actively encouraging the National Health Service to dispose of land and buildings in view of the financial constraints.

In the New Year the Government will issue for consultation proposals to provide up-to-date protections on deductions

deductions from pay and subsequently will take the earliest opportunity to repeal the Truck Acts, the Earl of Gowrie. Minister of State, privy council office, told the House of Lords at question time.

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Jeffrey, an expert on energy Professor Jeffrey, Professor of economic case for the PWR was invalid on a number of key assumptions. If Sizewell B was

tricity at a considerable loss". Basing his analysis on a detailed examination of the of nuclear Jeffrey said: "In view of the account the full Jeffrey said: "In view of the account the full price of uncertainties and improba-reprocessing spent fuel, radioac-

Mr Tarsem Singh Purewal, arrested and deported from India during a visit to his dying passionate grounds. But the Indian Government's decision to allow him an entry permit for two weeks has come too late for

ing Board builds a pressurized would seem wise to wait until a reactors. water reactor (PWR) at Size- new station is actually needed well, the public inquiry into the before deciding what kind it board's £1200m proposal was should be".
told yesterday by Professor Jim Professor Professor Jeffrey, who was

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Nuclear reactor will be

economic disaster.

professor tells inquiry

giving evidence to the inquiry at Suape maltings, Suffolk, on behalf of the Stop Sizewell B Crystallography at London Association, said the board's University, claimed the board's economic case was suspect economic case was suspect because it required a reversal of the rapid decline in the rate of expensive as it predicted. increase in electricity demand: built "it would generate elec- it needed a large increase in the price of coal; and because the board's comparison of the costs and coal-fired board's calculations, Professor stations did not take into

Electricity will cost more if bilities of the board's assumptive waste disposal or the the Central Electricity Generations about future conditions it decommissioning of nuclear

The PWR was likely to be a 'lisetime economic disaster", he

The board, he said, had also overestimated the savings it could make across the generaling system by using nuclear energy because the displaced coal and oil would not be as

Even if the board's assumptions were correct, electricity costs from a PWR would be higher than at present for the first 20 years of the power station's 35-year life.

The inquiry continues today.

India lifts ban on Sikh editor

35.000 in Britain, northern Europe and Canada, heard from mother last month, is being the Foreign Office in London allowed to return on com- vesterday that he would be allowed to visit Chandigarh from tomorrow until December 23. The Foreign Office got in touch with the Indian authhim to return to his mother's orities after publication of bedside. She died on November details of Mr Purewal's deport-26 after an operation for cancer ation in The Times.

The total area planted to

Mr Purewal, who owns and for Mr Purewal's deportation editor of a leading Sikh edits the Des Pardes weekly although it is thought that it newspaper in Britain, who was which has a circulation of resents criticism of its conduct in his newspaper.

> Mr Purewal said in London last night that he regretted that he was unable to be at his mother's bedside when she away from the hospital ward by armed police, his mother had murdered by the authorities, he

Prisoner to challenge parole ban in court

The Home Secretary's ruling that certain prisoners jailed for more than five years cannot be granted parole until a few months before the end of their sentences is to be challenged in.

the High Court.

Edward Findlay, who is serving seven years for robbery, was given permission by Mr Justice Woolf in the High Court yesterday to ahead with a test

Mr Edward Fitzgerald, for Findlay, who is at Long Lartin Prison, Hereford and Worcester, said they wanted the court to review the Home Secretary's policy decision last month that any prisoner serving a fixed term sentence of more than five years for offences of violence should be granted parole only a few months before he end of his sentence, unless the circumstances were genuincly exceptional.

They seek a declaration that the policy is unlawful and contravenes the Criminal Jus-

tice Act. 1967. They also seek a declaration that Findlay is entitled to have his case for parole considered on its merits, and an order prohibiting the Home Secretary from applying the new policy. The judge said it was a case that should be argued fully

Fixed term prisoners are usually eligible for parole after completion of a third of their sentences or 12 months, which



Waxen Chancellor: Karen Newman with her wax sculpture of Dr. Helmut Kohl, the West German Chancellor, which went on show at Madame Tussaud's in London yesterday. Dr Kohl gave clothes from his wardrobe to dress i (Photograph: John Manning).

Christmas card bonanza

Season's greetings 1,300 million times

dozen for every British man, woman and child, are likely to be posted this year, the greeting card industry's trade association said yesterday. Charities are aiming to capture

quarter of the market.
Last year, 1,160 million Christmas cards were sold at a cost of £80m. Of those, 240 nillion were charity cards, which raised £30m.

The charities' share of the market is expected to increase by between 10 and 30 per cent this year, largely because of more professional marketing

Where once cards were sold in small shops or from catalogues pasted with sames, the public is now inundaied with glossy colour cata-logues, mail order brochures and billboards that are the climax of a year's campaign.

The Imperial Cancer Re-search Fund believes its estimated £900,000 turnover of cards and gifts this year is because of a more aggressive public relations campaign that has included gift sales and publicity about its research.

Charities are also making use of mass mailing lists and computerized record-keeping and are seeking advice from advertising agencies.

Christmas cards account for nost two-thirds of card sales, but only a third of all greeting

A record 1,360 million The average Christmas card; Christmas cards, almost two now costs 7p, although these

sold for charity are asually more expensive. The profit margin on all greeting cards averages 40 per cent. The prediction of record sales this year comes from the Greeting Card and Calendar

wealth of interesting facts, as well as sales figures. For example, it reports that the Prime Minister sends about 2,000 Christmas cards each

Association, which can offer a

year, while President Reagan signs" nearly 60,000. The tiniest Christmas card was allegedly inscribed on a grain of rice and sent to the Prince of Wales in 1929, while the most valuable must have been that sent by the Gaekwar

of his affections. Made of ivory and decorated with 44 diamonds, the card took six months to make and was said to be worth £500,000 eighty years ago.

of Baroda to an Englishwoman

The first Christmas card, according to the association, was devised by Sir Henry Cole in 1843 because he had forgotten to send the traditional Christmas letter to his friends. ntecnanically printed, but hand-tinted, cards struck him as a reasonable last-minute substitute the Mechanically printed, substitute; the left-over cards were sold in Old Bond Street at a shilling a time, and the rest is

Wheat production sets new record

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

The 1983 United Kingdom milling varieties towards high harvest totalled yielding feed varieties. 21,370,000 tonnes, about 5 per cent down on last year, but still the second highest ever, according to the first complete official

Grown Cereals Authority. Wheat production set a new record of 10,828,000 tonnes, into winter varieties continues, and the average yield was up in spite of the higher costs from 6.2 to 6.4 tonnes a hectare, involved, because the winter Yields are now some 40 per cent crops are better able to withhigher than the average stand climatic vagaries like this throughout the 1970s partly year's very wet spring and

barley was down by 70,000 hectares, and average yield down from 4.93 to 4.66 tonnes a estimates published by the Home hectare, although the yield was still better than in 1980. The

swing away from spring barley because of a swing away from exceptionally dry summer.

UK CEREAL PRODUCTION 1982 AND 1983

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		1982	1983	1982	1983	1982	1983
WHEAT	Area	1,622	1,643	40	47	1.0	1.5
	Yield	6.18	6.40	7.20	6.39	5.83	5.71
	Prod	10,020	10,515	290	300	5.8	8.4
BARLEY	Area	1,719	1,655	455	451	47.1	45.3
	Yield	4.95	4.75	4.92	4.36	4.25	4.30
	Prod	8,514	7,861	2,240	1,965	200	199
	Winter area.	829	842	44°	65°	4.2	4.8
	Spring area	890	813	411	386	42.9	41.4
CATS	Area	98	80	31	25	3.1	3.2
	Yield	4.57	4,45	4,02	3.76	3,11	3.07
	Prod	439	356	126	94	9.6	9.7
TOTAL (#)	Area	3,452	3,391	526	524	51.7	51.4
CEREALS	Prod	19,037	18,790	2.656	2.360	217	219

Charities told to shun politics

Voluntary organizations should keep out of politics and resist government interference the National Council for Voluntary Organizations has told its 360 members.

The council says there has been a 63 per cent increase in government grants to charities and voluntary organizations in recent years but it has been accompanied by more complaints about increasing government pressure on their work.

Guidance issued by the council says organizations should not attempt to influence the electoral process but should "assert and exercise their freedom to advocate changes or continuity in public policy,

programmes and law".
Organizations should distinguish between "arm's length" support from government and "cont acts" with government

Headlines complaint rejected

Headlines in a Daily Mail election feature which spoke of Conservatives winning seats? and Labour grabbing them were not mileading, the Press Council rule today. Although it would have been more obviously impartial to have used the same word the newpaper was not bound to be impartial, the

council says. It rejected a complaint from Mr Barry Coppock, of Parkhill Road, Bexley, Kent, that the paper misleadingly and unfairly slanted the wording of headings over similar sets of tables. The managing editor, Mr Gordon Cowan, told Mr Coppack that there was nothing significant in the use of the word "grab". The newspaper merely wanted not to repeat the word "win", which had ap-peared in two headlines on the

Gordon Selfridge helping to construct the Selfridge roof garden 1935.

Mow British do you have to be to contribute to Britain?

Reith lecturer boosts open government lobby By Peter Hennessy

same page.

Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, came out in favour of open government last night with a fervour that could only embarrass the Prime Minister and Sir Robert Armstrong, Secretary of the Cabinet, with whom he served as Joint Head of the Home Civil Service until last Easter.

In the course of the 1983 BBC Reith lectures, Sir Douglas floated the idea of an external audit on open government which would monitor ministers' fulfilment of pledges to be more forthcoming with Parliament and the public.

The system would need an audit staff with full access to official files. The auditors would be empowered to alert Parliament in cases of unjustified supression.

Ministers could be forced to defend their decisions to withhold information in closed session before a Commons select committee. Such a system would be costly to operate but

Sir Douglas Wass, the former Sir Douglas said it merited serious study.

Sir Douglas' remarks, al though they stopped well short of advocating a law to compe Whitehall to open up, represent a boost to the freedom of information lobby which is about to undergo a rebirth when Mr Des Wilson launches his 1984 campaign next month.

At Mrs Margaret Thatcher's

behest, Sir Douglas' former colleague, Sir Robert Armstrong, has been trying to stem the pressure for more openness. He has circulated reminders in Whitehall about Britain's secrecy laws and conventions in an attempt to plug leaks.

Sir Douglas offered Sir Robert some comfort last night, however. He condemned leaks unequivocally and upbraided the press for being unscuplulous in its use of them.

But the deliberate publication of more information to raise the quality of public debate was necessary if government was to operate efficiently and responsively, Sir Douglas added.

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Brother of Colombian **President** released

Bogota - A two-minute silence was observed throughout Colombia at noon yesterday as part of a national demon-stration for peace in a country torn by both political subver-sion and violent crime (Geof-

frey Matthews writes).
Sensing the national mood, leftist guerrillas released the brother of President Belisario Betancur whom they had kidnapped two weeks ago.

The national demonstration, unprecedented in Colombia's history, started with a signal in national radio and was ac-companied by fire brigade sirens and the ringing of church bells. Traffic stopped and people waved white flags. The demonstration, sup-

ported by the Government, had been called by the Liberal and Conservative parties and was backed by a Socialist alliance and the Communist Party. It had been planned before Señor Jaime Betancur was kidnapped

Oberammergau suit fails

Munich - The women of Oberammergau will go on having to be young and single to be allowed to appear in the traditional once-a-decade Pas-sion Play (Barbara von Ow

The Bavarian Constitutional Court yesterday turned down a suit alleging that the pay's regulations violated constitutional rights. Only women who are single, childless and under 35, have the right to elect members to the Passion Play

Panda ailing



Zoo's 12-year-old femr's giant panda, is seriously ill with kidney failure. Her chances of recovery were poor, zoo officals in Washington said.

Flynt in dock

Chicago (Reuter) - The sex magazine publisher, Larry Flynt, was jailed yesterday for 60 days for contempt of court after he had shouted obscenities and spat at a Federal judge. He bas been in jail in Chicago since his arrest last Saturday for

Rapist flogged

Karachi (Reuter) - A young man was flogged in northern Pakistan before a crowd of 25,000 people after an Islamic court convicted him of rape, the Pakistan news agency reported yesterday. Raza Khan received 10 lashes.

Nuclear blast

Wellington (AFP) - New Zealand scientists monitored a small French nuclear test explosion at Mururoa atoll in the South Pacific on Saturday, an official spokesman said

£1m ransom paid

La Paz (AFP) - Lufthansa paid £1m for the release of its airline representative here who was kidnapped on November 14, the Bolivian Interior Minister announced. Herr Michael Wurche was freed 11 days after his kidnapping, but his abduc-tors have not been found.

Crisis in Lebanon: Israeli anger grows

Greek ships steam to rescue Arafat

The first of four Greek ships Palestinians loyal to Mr Yassir Arafat, is due to reach the port. of Tripoli tomorrow.

The Greek Government responded to a request from the PLO leader for help. The Greek Ministry of Merchant Marine made the arrangements and the four ships will take the Palestinians to North Yemen and

"The ships will fly the flags of Greece and the United Nations, as the whole operation will be under the supervision of the U.N. Secretary-General," a spokesman said.

The contracts were signed yesterday between the Greek shipowners and representatives of the PLO, which will bear the cost, including a two per cent war-risk levy.

JERUSALEM: Pressure is mounting on the Israeli. Government not to let Mr Arafat leave safely after the PLO attack on a Jerusalem bus (Christopher Walker writes). In an interview in Paris, broadcast by Israel Radio, Mr Ariel Sharon, the former De-fence Minister, who is now Minister without Portfolio, claimed that it would be a grave mistake for the Israelis to allow Mr Arafat to leave Lebanon, the cost of which would be the revival of the PLO.

Mr Sharon's demand, reflected the anger felt after Tuesday's explosion which killed four Israelis, including two children, aged 11 and 4 and an elderly man of 77. Ten of the 30 civilians still hospitalized were in a serious condition last night and one was described

Pressing his call for decisive action against Mr Arafat, the

Insisting that their American

prisoner of war" was being

well treated in military custody

in Damascus, the Syrians yesterday handed back to the

US Government the body of the

airman who died in Sunday's

American air raid in Lebanon

and announced that Mr Donald

Rumsfeld, President Reagan's

Middle East envoy, would be welcomed if he came to

Mr Abdul Halim Khaddam, the Syrian Foreign Minister,

even said that the US should

not "lose its role as a mediatory

power in the Middle East". It

tactic a carrot-and-stick approach to Washington that

involved further condemnation

of the Americans for their

strategic agreement with Israel

and a formal promise that US

reconnaisance flights over

Syrian military positions in

Lebanon - which the Syrians

say are still going on - will continue to be treated as hostile

and fired at by ground defences.

Officially the American raids

cost the lives of two Syrian

Wazzan, asked President Gemayel yesterday to accept his

resignation as shells crashed into residential parts of east

Beirut, but he was persuaded to

But the Prime Minister, who

wants to hand over to a Muslim

stay on.

It was also a familiar Syrian

was a striking performance.

Damascus.



Business as usual: A member of the British contingent in Beirut, carrying his rifle and a small Union Flag. gets on with the job as his future is debated in London. British soldiers have so far escaped serious injury despite last Friday's destruction of a Land-Rover.

PLO was not permitted to

Although both wings of the

Stick and carrot from Assad

political repercussions of the air

strike are still reverberating

through Damascus, It was left

to Mr Faruk al-Sharar, the

Syrian Minister for Foreign

Affairs, to put Syria's case

yesterday at a press conference in Damuscus, in which he claimed that the US reconnai-

sance flights over Lebanon were

a violation of international law. Having obviously studied the

consternation of America's allies in the multinational force,

Mr al-Sharar, who is one of the

Syrian Government's more

eloquent spokesmen, observed

sharply that the British and Italians were "wiser" than the

Americans and French because

they were reconsidering the

presence of their soldiers in

air raids, he contended, was the

the Israeli concept of security"

by sending aircraft over the

Lieutenant Robert Goodman,

President Hafez Assad's health was also praised by the

minister, who claimed that the

new round of national consul-

followed an outbreak of fighting

in the mountains between the

Lebanese Army and Druze

The shelling in east Beirut

future attack in Lebanon.

Syrian lines in preparation for a

Mr al-Sharar said that

Even more serious than the

Lebanon. .

According to the Syrian the US pilot captured on Foreign Ministry yesterday the Sunday, was officially conAmericans were "now openly on the side of the Israelis".

President Robert Coordinate Robert Coordinate, the US pilot captured on Sunday, was officially considered a Prisoner of War.

President Hafez Assad's

Premier told to stay on

tations.

American decision

official said that once those reorganize, the way would be responsible had been isolated open for a Middle East settle-retaliation would be ordered.

It is known that gunboats and at least one submarine from the Israeli Navy have been mountformer Defence Minister PLO have claimed responsi- Israeli Navy have been mount-stressed that the destruction of bility for the bus blast, the first "the terrorist movement" had claim from Mr Arafat's group in and that one ship, carrying Mr

believed outside Syria to be a

heart ailment - and was now

walking seven miles a day as

well as carrying out his govern-ment duties. Mr Assad, whose

health must be truly phenone-nal if such peramblations are to

be believed, has left the private

clinic in western Damascus and

returned to his official home at

Yet America's policy in the Middle East dominated Mr al-

Sharar's press conference. Fol-

lowing their strategic agreement with Tel Aviv, he said, "the

Americans are now openly on

the side of the Israelis, against

all the Arabs' interests and

aspirations. This step will be resisted not only by Syria but by all the Arab world.

television vesterday Mr Khad-

dam suggested that America's

chances of redemption were still

high. "If Reagan is a hawk, he will have to face hawks here"

the Syrian Foreign Minister said, warning as he has done several times before - that

In an interview with Japanese.

the presidency.

Earlier yesterday, Mr Yitzhak Shamir's government comfortably survived a motion of no

been the most important outcome of the Lebanon war. If the most authentic, A senior Israeli port from Cyprus, was recently Rumsfeld, President Reagan's special Middle East envoy, spent nearly an hour with Sir, Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr Richard Luce, the Minister of State, at recent unwritten security pact with America. The motion was tabled by the small Israeli Communist Party.

Chastened Americans

The US Navy is carrying out an investigation into the downing of two of its aircraft over Syrian-occupied Lebauon on Sunday. It may change tactics

The Americans have been stung by criticism from US and Israeli experts that the strike had been poorly executed, with faulty tactics, inexperienced pilots and Aircraft that were too

A US naval officer, who declined to be identified, told journalists that Sunday's losses, two aircraft out of 28 engaged, were just over 7 per cent, which was similar to loss levels during World War Two

. The relatively beavy loss

The aircraft met stiffer resistance than expected and information about Syrian autiaircraft batteries in Lebanon was inadequate, the officer said. A morning haze over the targets had hampered visibility. General Mordechal Hod, a

America faced another Vietnam in Lebanon. Dr Elie Salem, the Lebanese former Israeli Air Force com-Foreign Minister, will be able to mander, blamed the American pilots "lack of experience" for test Syria's mood today when he arrives in Damacus to tell Mr the loss of two aircraft in one raid. Israel has lost only three aircraft since it invaded Leba-Kahaddam the results of the soldiers - unofficially the figure Syrian leader had recovered meeting between is put by diplomats at 40 dead from his operation - officially Gemayel of Lewith 120 wounded - and the for an appendicitis but widely President Reagan. meeting between President Gemayel of Lebanon and

review their tactics

General Avraham Adan,

their bombs at 3,000ft.

too slow. Supersonic aircraft would have had to reduce speed missiles as the sab-sonic

The officer conceded that the targets attacked were within range of the 16-in guns of the battleship New Jersey, but a forward air controller would have been needed

Washington yesterday con-firmed that the US had been notified a number of times that its reconaissance aircraft would risk being fired on if they flew

Another retired Israeli offic-

said the Americans suffered from poor tactics and planning.
The American officer disputed claims that the aircraft had dived in "World War Two formation". He said they had dived from 18,000ft to release

He said it was nonseuse to say the pilots were inexperi-enced, pointing out that a third of those assigned to the task force off the coast of Lebanon had combat experience in

He also rejected the charge that the subsonic A6 and A7 bombers used in the raid were aircraft.

The Syrian Embassy in

rules - run out of control.

presidency tried a new style of in thinking summit, which did not work as MADRID: In spite of the it often led to as many points of view as ministers round the nish and Portuguese Govern-

plained loudly but in vain. Now

Britzin's contribution to the budget contribution represented EEC budget, the French are a radical shift of position from equally surprised at Britain's that taken by French officials reaction, believing that it is the and ministers in the weeks British rather than the French before the summit. M Mitterrand was simply who are primarily to blame for the summit's failure.
At the official level very little restating the basic principle, always adopted by France, that is being said, save to emphasize Britain could not continue to operate outside the Treaty of France's desire and determi-Rome, they insist, France was nation to continue to work for a

Mitterrand's declaration that

Athens summit fiasco

French put blame on

Britain but try to

avoid recriminations

If the British are surprised by the notion that President

Athens on the question of there could be no long-term finding a long-term solution to agreement on Britain's EEC

France's apparent volte-face at

possible" he said.

the Athens summit, however.

He was considered a tough and

the total breakdown of nego-

comptent minister.

satisfactory settlement, and every effort is being made to avoid recrimitations of any kind, not willing to countenance a reform of the treaty to suit Britain and it could no longer Unlike Mrs Margaret Thatcher, President Mitterrand has made accept the present arrangements which in effect rewarded those countries which did not respect no public comment on Britain's attitude during the summit, the Community preference and despite his strong private continued to import goods from outside the EEC. M Claude Cheysson, the

The only official statement on Athens after yesterday's Cabinet meeting was that Foreign Minister, announced last night that agreement had been reached in bilateral talks President Mitterrand had expressed the hope that the present crisis would help conwith the West Germans at Athens to phase out within a centrate minds, and that he did specified period the Monetary Compensation Amounts not believe in the "self-destruc-tion" of Europe. "If one can (MCA's) on agricultural goods dominate the crises, progress is which act as a tax on exports for a country with a weak currency such as France, and a subsidy The resignation of M Andé Chandernagor as Minister for on imports for a country with a strong currency, such as West European Affairs, and his

noination as President of the Germany.
There is a 10 per cent Cour des comptes, France's highest "court" for the control of public finances, was also announced at the Cabinet difference between France and West Germany at present. The abolition of the MCA's has been meeting. M Chandernagor's departure from the Governone of the French farmers' chief ment had been arranged for some time and had nothing to

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M Chandernagor: Tough

Get-tough Commission tries to regain control

From Ian Murray, Brussels

much more power in the takes over the presidency for si-Community. At the same time months in the New Year, laid it is preparing to impose tough great stress in Athens on the controls on the Community budget for the next year in an community rigidly according to attempt to spin the money out, the principles laid down in the attempt to spin the money out. After the total failure of the Treaty of Rome. Athens summit to decide on essential reforms, the 14 do away with the unorthodox member Commission held a special council idea and concencrisis meeting in Brussels trate on reaching agreements on yesterday and agreed they had the basis of Commission pro-

founding fathers. The Commission believes BONN: Chancellor Helmut essentially that the 10 leaders Kohl told the West German

had too many dossiers in Athens to consider. This was Athens to consider. This was directly due to the growing failure of the Athens summa practice of allowing different countries to put forward rival apportion blame (Michael Binyon writes).

West Germany would do its the control of the Athens summa failure of the Athens summa failure

meeting not authorized by the partners.

The European Commission is the Commission hopes to mal. to attiment to turn the clock its voice heard again.
back to the days when it had President Mitterrand who

vital importance of running the So it is probable that he will

to assert their authority in the posals argued out between manner envisaged by the ministers in regular council sessions.

Parliament yesterday he did not

propositions.

In deciding to try to go back to the good old days when it best to ensure that the next alone made proposals, the council meeting was better able Commission is making a tacit to fulfil its task, and Bonn admission that it let the would hold a series of bilateral preparations for the summit - a meetings with its community

The Chancellor said he hoped The inexperienced Greek the crisis would lead to a change

Athens debacle, both the Spatable.

Mr Gaston Thorn, the Commission President, comWigg writes).

ments have reasserted their wish to join the EEC (Richard Wigg writes).

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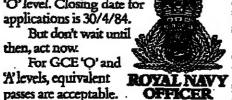
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Mandate for British peace force

Beirut (Reuter) - The Leba- government of national unity, The conditions under which a mese prime minister, Mr Chaffic said he would continue in office British contingent would par-Wazzan, asked President until Mr Gemayel completes a ticipate in the multinational peacekeeping force in Lebanon were agreed in an exchange of notes between the British and

January 31, 1983.

A letter written by Mr Elie Salem, the Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Lebanon, to the British Government said:-

Your Excellency.

I have the bonour to refer to the discussions which have taken place between representatives of our place between representatives of our two governments concerning the establishment of a temporary Multinational Force (MNF) in the Beirut area. The Mandate of the MNF is to provide an interposition force at agreed locations and thereby provide a multi-national presence to assist the Lebanese Government and the Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) in the Beirut area. This presence will facilitate the restoration of Lebanese Government sovereignty and authority over the ration of Lebanese Government sovereignty and authority over the Beirut area, and thereby further efforts of my Government to assure the safety of persons in the area. The MNF msy undertake other functions only by mutual agreement among government. The MNF is currently composed of contingents of the armed forces of France, Italy and the United States of America. and the United States of America.
In the foregoing context, I have the honour to propose that the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland deploy a force of approximately 100 personnel to Beirut for a period of three months, subject to the following terms and conditions:

(1) The British military force shall carry out such issks as may be agreed between the United Kingdom and Lebanese

(ii) Command authority over the British force will be exercised exclusively by the British Government through existing British doplomatic and mili-

tary channels: (iii) The LAF and MNF will form a liaison and co-ordination

The British force will operate in close coordination with the Lebanese Armed Forces; In carrying out its duties, the British force will not engage in hostilities or other operations of a warlike nature. It may,

however, exercise the right of self-defeace; Notwithstanding the time limits proposed above, the British Force will depart from Lebanon upon the request of the President of Lebanon or upon the decision of the British Government. Any proposal for renewal of the Mandate would be subject to consultation between the Government of the Lebanon and her Majesty's

Government and the agree-ment of both parties: The Government of Lebanon and the LAF will take all measures necessary to ensure the protection of the British force's personnel (to include securing assurances from all armed elements not now under the authority of the Lebanese Government that they will

refrain from bostilities and not interfere with any activities of the MNF;

(viii) The British force will enjoy bot the degree of freedom and movement and the right to undertake there activities undertake those activities deemed necessary for the performance of its mission for the support of its personnel. Accordingly, the members of

the British force shall enjoy the privileges and immunities accorded the technical and administrative staff of the British Embassy in Beirut, and shall be exempt from immi-gration and customs requirements, and restrictions on entering or departing from Lebanon. The appropriate British authorities may exercise jurisdiction over the British force in accordance with British service law. Personnel, property and equip-ment of the British force introduced into Lebanon shall

introduced into Lebanon shall be exempt from any form of tax, duty, charge or levy.

I have the further honour to propose, if the foregoing is acceptable to Your Excellency's Government, that Your Excellency's reply to that effect, together with this Note, shall constitute and Agreement between our two governments which shall come into force on the date of Your Excellency's reply.

Mr D.A. Roberts, British Ambassador in Beirut, said in a Ambassador in Beirut, said in a reply to Mr Salem:-

reply to Mr Salem:
Your Excellency.
I have the honour to refer to Your Excellency's Note of January 31, 1983 requesting the deployment of a British force to the Beirut area...
I am pleased to inform you that the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is prepared to deploy for the period of three months a force of approximately 100 personnel.
I have the further honour to inform Your Excellency that my Government accepts the terms and conditions the presence of the British force in the Beirut area as set forth in your Note, and that Your Excellency's Note and this reply accordingly constitute an Agreement between our two governments which shall come into force today.

fails to get Cabinet job From Alan McGregor

Geneva Mrs Lilian Uchtenhagen, the

Socialist Party candidate, yes-terday failed to become Switzerland's first woman cabinet minister. In a combined session of the Upper and Lower Houses of Parliament, she received 96 votes against 124 for the party's second choice, Mr Otto Stich.

According to opinion polls. 67 per cent of the population supported the idea of a woman in the seven-member Federal Cabinet. There are 24 women in Parliament.

"It is obviously difficult to find a woman who pleases." Mrs Uchtenhagen said. "But perhaps I have opened the way for a woman minister." Her Zurich party headquarters de-scribed the majority of MPs as

Woman MP | US weighs up Managua overtures From Mohsin Ali

Washington The United States is ready to

intensity its diplomatic efforts to test fully the sincerity of the leftist Nicaraguan Government's promise to hold elections in 1985 and to grant an amnesty to most of the rebels fighting it.

The State Department spokesman here said caution

was necessary in interpreting the current peace signals from Nicaragua. "We don't know whether the signals represent a real willingness to deal with the substantive issues. The test is going to come in the actual

going to come in the actual negotiating process."

Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, on Monday welcomed the Nicaraguan Government's recent statements but made clear he was waiting for "reality to be put behind the rhetoric".

TEGUCIGALPA: Nicaraguan rebel leaders rejected the guan rebel leaders rejected the offer of amnesty to Nicaraguans

who had left the country since 1979 (NYT reports). The amnesty decree was issued two days ago, and a

Nicaraguan Government spokesman said that rebel leaders, among whom Señor Calero was mentioned specifi-Intervention hint, page 8 | cally, were not eligible.

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China accuses superpowers of being difficult Peking (Reuter) - China statement to the National important aspect of China's improve only if the Soviet stated said talks on normalizing relations with the Soviet ing committee, according to the line with the Soviet ing committee, according to the New China news agency. He said China's foreign discussing three main obstacles of Cambodia and reduces its troops and missiles along the source of Cambodia and reduces its troops and missiles along the source of Cambodia and reduces its troops and missiles along the source of China's improve only if the Soviet foreign policy, but talks this year had not made any headway because Moscow had avoided discussing three main obstacles.

yesterday said talks on norma-lizing relations with the Soviet Union had not made any headway and its links with the US had been disturbed by the

Taiwan issue.

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Mr Wu Xueqian, the Foreign
Minister, made a major policy

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Argentine air threat to Falklands aims to run up Britain's bill

The outgoing head of Argentina's Air Force, Brigadier Augusto Hughes, has vowed that Argentine planes will test Britain's defences on the Falkland Islands and harass them to make the defence more expensive for Mrs Thatcher.

"The Air Force will be present in our sovereign airspace, testing and probing the enemy's defence capabilities to wear him down and make his defence more costly," commander said.

Brigadier Hughes, who re-signed his command on Tucs-day in preparation for the transfer of power to the elected civilian government, said in a farewell speech that "the more effective our presence is, the more it will cost the enemy to maintain his forces."

He added that it would be difficult for Britain to continue "providing dollars (for the defence of the islands), especially since those colonies do not produce any dividends.

Military rule ended in Turkey

that "now that the faults of

Mr Ozal thanked the Presi-

dent for saving the country

every effort on the part of his

government to consolidate the

be easy because of the problems

confronting the country, for which he invoked "the help of

tion of the middle class) would

Mr Ozal admitted his five-

Turkey's former democratic

a government.

further breakdowns".

successes attained.

to axe ministries

From Rasit Gurdilek, Ankara

yesterday when President economy who was swept to Kenan Evren called on Mr power on a ticket of liberal

Turgut Ozal, last month's economic policies and a hard general election winner, to form drive against inflation, said he

General Evren said ho hoped ministries to streamline the

system are corrected and eliminate the influence of the

democracy is based on firmer state on the economy and to

foundations, there will be no restore the economic stabiliza-

year term in power would not the largest circulation daily.

God". Improving the lot of the praised the late Ismail Bilen, the "central column" (his descrip-

ruthlessness.

Senor Alfonsin: Polishing up his first speech

is known that many officers still harbour strong feelings because of the heavy losses suffered by air crews during the war with Britain.

Brigadier Hughes also said that the Air Force proposed that British capital frozen here during the war should not be released and that British companies not be allowed to take profits out of the country.

The Air Force has traditionally been the most nationalistic of Argentina's armed forces, ally before has before he is to take office structure of the armed forces,

The former chief of the

would reduce the number of

He has also promised to

Publication was allegedly suspended because the paper

printed an obituary, which

former secretary-general of the

outlawed Turkish Communist

as the country's first civilian ruler in nearly eight years.

In a brief meeting postponed from Monday, the joint houses of Congress confirmed the results of the elections last October which gave Senor Alfonsin the victory, and officially named him President.

Señor Alfonsin is to be sworn in on Saturday in a ceremony that will be attended by a number of European and Latin American heads of state, in-cluding Spain's Senor Felipe Gonzalez. The US is to be represented by a delegation led by Vice-President George Bush.

The President-elect was nutting the finishing touches yesterday on a speech he is to deliver to Congress before being sworn in, while his advisers prepared a package of emergency measures they will propose immediately after Schor Alfonsh takes power.

Those measures are believed to include sanctions against military officers for human rights abuses in recent years, Meanwhile, the Argentine economic measures aimed at

Cautious Ozal pledges

Marcos.

tion programme, which he had masterminded, to its original from certain disaster, pledging ISTANBUL: The newspaper. Hurriyet reappeared on news-states yesterday after martial-law authorities lifted a week-long ban on publication of

Opposition to Marcos joins forces

From Keith Dalton

Philippine opposition groups esterday announced plans to hold a national people's congress next month to elect an 'alternative government" of 15 sectoral leaders who would be willing to hold reconciliation talks with President Ferdinand

The formation of the multisectoral congress was ac-companied by a warning from the organizers that it was the last attempt to avert further radicalization of the Filipino

The chairman of the congress. Mr Agapito Aquino. brother of the murdered opposition leader, Benigno Aquino, said the principle aim was to debunk claims that the opposition lacked a leader of the



Question time: Mr Schultz (right) with Herr Genscher at his press conference

Shultz eager to meet Gromyko

Mr. George Shultz, the American Secretary of State, said vesterday he was "more than ready" to meet Mr Andrei Gromyko, his Soviet opposite number, at the opening of the

European disarmament confer-

ence in Stockholm on January

He told a press conference at the end of his brief round of talks with government and opposition leaders here that he expected to attend the confer-ence, which he described as important, as there was strong support among the Western Allies for their foreign ministers

to be present at the opening.

Mr Shultz has not turned into an angry confrontation over the shooting down of the Korean

However, among the Euro-pean allies. West Germany in

From Michael Binyon, Bons particular has been pressing Washington for a resumption of that Mrs Thatcher had replied to the letter from President a high-level dialogue. On the eve of Mr Shultz's arrival Herr Andropov in which the Soviet Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the Foreign Minister, called on the leader made one last appeal to halt the deployment of Ameri-West to take the initiative in can missiles in Britain (Henry

Stanhope writes).

improving East-West relations. Mr Shultz said the US and The Russian initiative in-West Germany had no differ-ences on Nato strategy volved a series of such letters to West European leaders, in In his meeting with Chancelwhich threats and cajolery were Helmut Kohl, Mr Shultz used in an attempt to persuade also discussed Lebanon, where, them to change their minds.

he said, the situation was troublesome American forces Neither Downing Street nor the Foreign Office would ther would continue to defend discuss the contents of Mrs themselves against attacks. He Thatcher's reply, but it is was convinced the Israelis would withdraw from Lebanon understood to have thrown the hall back into the Russian court and the task now was to with a demand that the East persuade the Syrians to do as rather than the West should show more flexibility in any

future arms talks.

The Islamic summit

Delegates ignore plight of Biharis

From Michael Hamlyn, Dhaka

Just 10 minutes by rickshaw from the concrete architectural foreign ministers' conference here lies the teeming human antheap where the stranded Biharis dwell,

While the delegates utter resounding speeches about Muslim brotherhood these Muslims, these victims of inter-Muslim strife and sufferers from Muslim neglect, are unable even to contact the visitors to Dhaka because of the wall of security surrounding

Some 250,000 Biharis, non-Bengali Pakistanis stranded here after the war in 1971, live in camps like Geneva Camp, Mohammadpur, close to the centre of Dhaka. In huts made of palm thatch, 8ft by 6ft, families of five live in a warehouse, dark in the absence of natural windows, smoky with cooking fires and beaving with humanity. Young families, elderly widows, old men and their orphaned grandchildren

In summer the heat is intense, the flies appalling, the smells unimaginable. In the ionsoon nothing dries, the roofs pour with water, the naths turn to swamps. "For the past 12 years," say their leaders, we have been living amidst hunger, malnutrition, disease, insecurity and filth. A whole generation of children is being slowly wasted away, without

The Biharis - the majority do come from Bihar, but many caprice housing the Islamic hail from Bombay, or Madras, or many other parts of India were mainly railway employees who were given the chance of opting for Pakistan, or India by the departing British Adminis-tration in 1947. They chose Pakistan, and rather than risk the bloody riots of Punjab, they opted for East Bengal.

At the time of the Bangladesh war, they supported t__ Pakistan Army in its pression of the freedom mo nent, and as such earned 🔔 deep resentment of the Beng

After the war their asser were frozen, many of them lost their jobs. Some 600,000 ask. to go to the western wing, ... take up their lives again.

But Pakistan did not was them. They had never lived in what was left of Pakistan. Bangladesh did not want them. India had no interest in taking them. So they were herded into camps and left to the Red Cross

They have been there ever since. Those who can make a tiving by casual labour, by pulling rickshaws, shining pulling rickshaws, shining shoes or begging. The rest live on the allowance of wheat given by the Government to sustain them. Their pensions have stopped, their insurance schemes ended.

The Bangladesh Government recognizes no obligation to honour their contracts,

Iran renews threat to shut Hormuz

From Our Own Correspondent, Dhaka

Dr Ali Akbar Velayati, the The Iranian Foreign Minis-Iranian Foreign Minister, min- ter, flanked by two turbanned ced no words in telling the mullahs, made no reference to Islamic conference here yester-the goodwill mission, led by day that Iran would not hesitate President Sekou Toure of to close the Strait of Hormuz if Guinea, which was set up by the its interests in the Gulf were last Islamic summit. Every

wearing no tie, told the meeting of the Iran-Iraq war. of Islamic foreign ministers. The Iraqi delegate to the which includes the Gulf States. meeting, Mr Hamad Alwan, the Iraq: "If we are ever deprived of conference that Iraq was perour inalienable and legitimate fectly prepared to accept the rights then we reserve the right goodwill mission's plan.
to reconsider our undertaking TEHRAN: Captain Buh-(to keep the Gulf open). In that case the Persian Gulf region will be secure for nobody, and we will not hesitate in closing down the Strait of Hormuz.

speech made to the conference Dr Velayati, bearded and so far has referred to the tragedy

Kuwait and Qatar as well as Minister of State, told the

rman Afzali, the former Iranian Navy Commander-in-Chief. admitted before a court here yesterday to spying for the

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Dawn raids on 70 right wingers' homes

Bonn bans neo-Nazis

After dawn raids throughout West Germany on the homes of known neo-Nazis, Herr Friedrich Zimmerman, the Interior Minister banned the most active neo-Nazi organization and associated right-wing groups, which he said posed a langer to democracy.

In a carefully coordinated action, police in nine federal states searched the homes of leading members of the Action Front of National Socialists/National Activists. No arrests were made but police took away membership cards, letters, propaganda material, Nazi emblems and swastikas. The Action Front is esti-

mated to have 270 members, mainly young people, organized into 32 local "comradeships." It is led by Herr Michael Kühen a former soldier who was released last year after four years in a Hamburg prison for advocating racial hatred. Ten days ago he was arrested in Vienna for Nazi activities and expelled

Herr Zimmermann called the Front the most active of the neo-Nazi groups in the federal Republic, and said he would not stand idly by while it carried out anti-democratic actions. This year alone, neo-Nazis are accused of 52 acts of violence, including arson attacks, mug-gings, bodily harm and damage to property. The Interior Ministry said it kenw of 1,400 neo-Nazis altogether in the country, including 300 militants. The total has risen by 100 over last

Neo-Nazi violence has been directed mainly against foreigners, especially Turks, and the authorities have been concerned at the spread of right-wing extremism among football fans. Among the actions planned by the Action Front were gatherings in Munich to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of Hitler's abortive 1923 putsch and the forty-fifth anniversary



shops were destroyed. The authorities moved to prevent

Herr Zimmermann said Nazi ideas were repellent to the vast majority of Germans, but posed a constant challenge to democ-

He accused the Action Front of trying to revive the National Socialist Party, of propagating the ideas in Mein Kampi and in Hitler's last political testament and of assuming an increasingly militaristic posture.

The Government has been

of Crystal Night, when Jewish disturbed by the way members of banned neo-Nazi parties have regrouped under new The Action Front includes members who once belonged to the now outlawed People's Socialist Movement of

Germany and the Hoffmann Military Sports Group. Among the affiliated right wing groups included in yester-day's ban is one called Action for the Repatriation of Foreign ers, which put up candidates at a state election in Hessen and was preparing to fight an election in Baden-Winttemberg.

Chun struggles to legitimize his rule

Scars of May, 1980 are still unhealed

In the first of two articles from Secoul, David Watts reports on the firm hand with which the Government grips the people.

As President Reagan peered across the Demilitarized Zone into North Korea last mouth and denounced the totalitarian Pyongyang Government, hundreds of people were in treds of people were in leteution in South Korea for voicing their opinions of the Government of President Chun Doo Hwan.

The American President's visit brought an unaccustomed calm to the campuses of South Korea; and after his departure the battle was joined again, from Kwangju in the south-west to the capital. Students denouncing President Chun and the US defied

leaflet protests that would be ignored in most other countries side the Eastern block. The students are demanding release from the heavy hand of

government squads to mount

the Chun Government, a freer press and some form of democracy. Though their

the Government takes seriously, and with good rea-son: every change of govern-ment since the Second World War has been preceded by student protests which events ally affected the rest of society. It is thought that prote spreading from the south of the

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country were the immediate cause of the assassination of

President Park Chung Hee by the Head of the Korean Central ntelligence Agency in 1979. Park, a door authoritarian, tended to use his powers ad hoc. President Chun has of many d even a modicum of his

opularity. The ruthless way in which he seized power, and the bloody May of 1988 in Kwangju, have

never been forgotten by Koreans. That month the city's students turned out in mass protests, which were put down with such brutality that the rest of the city rose in support.

President Chun earned the sobriquet The Butcher of Kwangin". Three years later

the scars are still not healed and the President is still struggling to legitimize his rule.
For a period after the aprising there were strenuous efforts to give the regime a more humane face, but the heavy security and intelligence

The heavy-handed methods of President Chun, long on strength and short on techtique, have done nothing to win him support where he needs i most, among the people of South Korea. The churches, which monitor government behaviour, say its methods have merely become more

"The military," according to a foreigner, "feel no obligation to obey the law on any level.



President Chun: He seems oblivious to criticism

They're a totally independent entity. There is almost no area of human activity in which the Government has not taken complete control."

Some of the hundreds who were removed during the "purification" President's programme after he took offic rights, but the majority, including about 400 politicians, have not.

which cost the country its four brightest ministers, brought no public sympathy for President Chun, who narrowly escaped

The President visited the families of the dead men, but Koreans resented the fact that he made no attempt to apologize to the country in manner of a general who has lost his troops. He seemed more concerned with the threat

to his own life
The bombing was the latest
in a series of incidents which included the shooting down of the Korean airliner and a series

of financial scandals. In a Confucian society such disasters are often taken as signs that the ruler has lost the "mandate of Heaven" and is no onger fit to rate. President Chun's American visitor did not go as far as that, but there was no doubt of Washington's vish for a more democratic

Peking hint on intervention

Peking (Reuter, AP) - British and Chinese negotiators met here yesterday for a fresh round of formal talks on Hongkong's future to the background of a warning that China might change its 1997 deadline and an announcement of a joint Anglo-Chinese agreement to build a

nuclear power plant.
A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman said that if no problems arose, China would stick to its plan to take Hongkong back in 1997. But "For instance, if there is some turmoil in Hongkong, we could: consider changing our timetable over recovery of sovereignty, he told a press briefing. He did not say whether this meant. China would step in earlier than 1997 or extend the deadline.

announce its policies for the colony next September, whether Britain and China had reached agreement on its future or not.

The spokesman, Mr Qi Huaiyuan, denied that China was rushing to reach a formula for Hongkong's future. "By next year, two years of talks will have passed. This is not being in a hurry," he said.

He reassured Hongkong journalists that the colony would be allowed to retain its capitalist social and economic systems under Chinese rule.

The two-day meeting, the seventh since the two sides began detailed discussions in was not expected to produce any news of progress. He said that Peking would statement setting the date for

the next round. When negotiators reconvene,

the British team will have a new leader. The ambassador to Peking, Sir Percy Cradock, retires later this month to take up the post of foreign policy adviser to Mrs Thatcher. In his place, across the table

from China's Deputy-Foreign Minister, Mr Yao Guang, will be the new ambassador, Mr Richard Evans.

Announcing the setting up of a joint venture company to build nuclear power plant near Hongkong, the official New China news agency reported that it had been agreed in fruitful talks between Britain's Department of Trade and Industry, and officials of the Chinese Ministry of Water Resources and Electric Power. Letter from Moscow

Traumatic memory set in granite

It looks, judging by the artist's impression, like a vast furled-up flag swirling into the sky. Set in parkland on a hill above one of Moscow's main arterial roads, the red granite Victory Monument will dominate a memorial complex containing a "Museum of the Great Patriotic War", white marble pillars with the names of heroes etched in gold, military busts and "threedimensional battle scenes".

When it is finished (work has already started), millions of visitors will come in coachloads from factories and schools to listen to guides and look at the exhibitions. Yet apart from the dwindling numbers of ex-soldiers and airmen, very few of the visitors will remember what the monument project com-menorates - the Second World

Foreigners in Moscow are often struck by the way the war is still recalled as if it happened yesterday. Westerners, especially those under 40, tend to regard the war as ancient history, the subject matter of grainy newsreels and dusty tomes. It belongs to another age. For Russians it is a living memory.

Wartime memories are kept

alive artificially by the regime: they dominate Soviet films and books, and you cannot seem to turn on the television without seeing a group of bemedalled veterans reliving their battles. The war provides the Kremlin with a convenient theme for reinforcing national unity and the need for strong defences at the expense of justifies the suppression of deviant views as traitorous or

On the other hand, for many Russians the war against Hitler, which claimed 20 million Soviet lives (a figure much repeated), is a trauma which needs no artificial respiration to keep it alive.

The Young Pioneers who stand guard by the eternal flame in cities all over Russia are left in no doubt that their parents or grand parents endured terrible suffering which must not be repeated.

There are some Muscovites, though, who can be heard to mutter that the Victory Monument is a colossal waste of meagre public resources, and that the victims of fascism are already commemorated elsewhere in simpler but no less striking monuments. One of the most telling is the series of huge, rust-coloured crossed metal bars - like gigantic antitank barricades - by the side of the Moscow to Leningrad highway, not far from Moscow airport. They mark the fur-thest point reached by Nazi tanks in 1941, proving that

to entering Moscow they could have caught a bus into town, had there been any buses

running. Still, literary-minded Russians point out that Tolstoy erected his monument to the 1812 war against Napoleon half a century after the war had ended yet nobody thought War and Peace old bat. The comparison is apt, since the new Victory Monument is to rise on a hill above Kutuzovsky Prospekt, where there are already several reminders of the eartier Russian struggle against foreign invaders.

Known ironically as "Welcome Hill", it guards the approach to Moscow from



Victory Monument: It will dominate the complex

Smolensk, Minsk and ultimately central Europe. It was on this hill that Napoleon stood and waited in vain for the Moscow city fathers to come to and greet him as a the great triumphal arch, moved here from the Leningrad highway, straddles Kutu zovsky Prospekt, whole General Kutuzov, the Russian hero of 1812, is commemorated in an equestrian statue and the circular panorama painting of the Battle of Borodino.

The coach parties will no doubt pause at these memorials to the patriotic war of 1812 before going up the hill to consider the Great Patriotic War of 1941 and the new Victory Monument The Moscow city authorities recently announced that 31m roubles had been raised during voluntary work on a Saturday

- the tradition known as a communist subotnik - and Tettal par

that the money would be spent on constructing the new memorial park complex. The official announcement said the capital's workers had "decided" to donate the money to the Victory Monument, and though very few seem to have been consulted

there were no voices raised in Richard Owen

Shuttle returns today after record mission

From Trevor Fishlock

The space shuttle Columbia returns to earth today after 10 busy days in orbit. The mission was extended an extra day to allow the crew more time for experiments and observations in the European Spacelab carried in Columbia's hold.

The six-man crew welcomed the extra day because failures in a computer, transmitting and photographic equipment, put them behind schedule.

The 10-day flight is a shuttle record, and by the time Columbia lands at Edwards Air Force Base in California et

Force Base in California at 4 pm GMT, it will have travelled 4.2m miles at a height of 155 miles above Earth. By yesterday morning, 37 of

the 70 experiments in Spacelab had been completed. ■ MOSCOW: Soviet cosmo-

nauts Vladimir Lyakhov and Alexander Alexandrov returned yesterday to their home in Star City, a space workers' settlement near Moscow, two weeks after the end of their 150-day mission aboard Salyut 7.

New year poll inevitable in Denmark

dissent.

From Christopher Follett Copenhagen

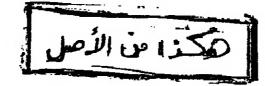
A New Year election is virtually inevitable in Denmark after the refusal of Opposition parties to vote for the draft 1984 budget presented by the 15month-old Conservative-Lib-eral minority Government. Mr Poul Schluter, Denmark's

first Conservative Prime Minister this century, threatened yesterday to call an election unless he receives parliamentary backing for what he sees as the cornerstone of his administration's policy - an austerity budget containing £700m of public expenditure cuts.

These would reduce the budget deficit to less than £4,200m, the first drop in Denmark's budget deficit in a decade.

The Social Democrats, the largest Opposition group, demanded reductions in the planned savings and announced that they would vote against the budget for the first time since 1929, when the Bill comes before Parliament for a final reading on December 15.





Purpose of acquiring trading stock

Coates (Inspector of Taxes) Arndale Properties Ltd Nova Securities Ltd

Before Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Fox and Lord Justice Kerr [Judgment delivered December 6] For an asset to be acquired "as trading stock" within the meaning of section 274(1) of the Income and

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Corporation Taxes Act 1970 the purpose of the acquisition must be commercial in character. The Court of Appeal so held when considering two appeals involving claims by taxpayer companies to avail themselves of provisions in the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 and the Finance Act 1965 enabling groups of companies to convert a capital loss

into a revenue loss for corporation tax purposes.

Where the sole purpose of the acquisition of an asser by the tax purpor company was to obtain a fiscal advantage for the group of companies of which it was a member, the Court of Appeal held that the asset was not acquired "as trading stock" and allowed an appeal by the Crown from the dismissal by Mr Justice Goulding (The Times March 25, 1982) of the Crown's appeal against a determination of the general commissioners to discharge an assessment to to discharge an assessment to corporation tax on Arndale Proper-

ties Ltd in a sum of £28,072 for the year ending March 31, 1974.

The court (Lord Justice Lawton's dissenting) dismissed the Crown's appeal from the decision of Mr lustice Walton (The Times August 6, 1982) who upheld a determi-nation of the general commissioners to discharge an assessment to corporation tax on Nova Securities Lid for its accounting period to December 1973,

Leave to appeal to the House of Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was granted in both cases. Mr Jonathan Parker, QC and Mr John Mummery for the Crown in the first appeal; Mr Andrew Park, QC and Mr Michael Flesch, QC for Arndale Properties Ltd; Mr J. E. Holroyd Pearce, QC and Mr Peter Goldsmith for the Crown in the second appeal; Mr C. N. Beattie, QC and Mr Christopher Sakol for Nova

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON said that in each appeal the principal issue was whether the company laxpayer, being a member of a group of companies, had acquired "an asset as trading stock" within the meaning of section 274(1) of the income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970. If they had, they could bring into account as trading losses capital losses which had been sustained by the member of the group from whom they had acquired the assets.

In both cases the asset acquired was of the kind in which the taxpayer company traded. But that did not mean that it had been acquired "as trading stock". It must have been acquired for the purpose

of being used in the course of trade. In his Lordship's judgment, if the acquisition of an asset lacked a commercial character it could not be said to have been acquired as trading stock; but if it had that character the reason why the acquisition was made, in the absence of other factors, ought not to deprive it of that character.

Whether a transaction had a commercial character was a question of mixed fact and law. It was a question of law what the words "acquires an asset as trading stock" in section 274(1) meant and a question of fact whether the

transaction having a commercial character and, on the facts found, the commissioners could reasonably have adjudged that it had such character, they could not be said to have made a determination which was operous in law and their determination could not be set

and City group and dealt in land.
Another subsidiary, Sovereign
Property Investments (Newport)
Ltd (SPI) had spent £5,313,822 on a property development scheme at Newport which had a market value of only £3,100,000.

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March 30, 1973, SPI transferred the property to the taxpayer for a consideration shown by book entries as £3,090,000. By another assignment on the same day the taxpayer transferred the pro-perty to a third subsidiary Arndale Property Trust Ltd (Arndale), an company,

As the two assignments had been made between members of a group of companies, section 273(1) of the 1970 Act applied so that the transfer was deemed to have produced neither a gain nor a loss to SPI and the taxpayer was deemed to have acquired the property at a price of £5.313,822.

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The property was not part of SPI's trading stock. It was one of its capital assets. Land and buildings, however, were assets with which the taxpayer traded.

If it did acquire the property as trading stock and section 274(1) applied, under paragraph 1 of Schedule 7 to the Finance Act 1965, the taxpayer's appropriation to its trading stock would be made at the property's market value of

property's market value of £3,100,000, and the difference of the deemed consideration under section 273(1) could be treated as a trading loss following an election under paragraph 1(3) which was made in December 1975.

The commissioners decided that the taxpaver had acquired that the taxpaver had acquired the property "as trading stock", even though those responsible for overall group policy had decided that the property should be sold to the laxpayer and immediately resold to Aridale solely in order that the group should obtain a fiscal advantage in the form of tax relief for the large and genuine loss which

In his Lordship's judgment, the ommissioners could not have directed themselves properly as to the relevant law. They should have looked at the transaction as a whole and should not have confined themselves to the legal effect of the

The transactions did not bear the badges of trade. Within the group there was no commercial reason why SPI should not have assigned directly to Arndale. No cash passed The profit to the taxpayer of £10,000 could not have been much of an incentive because on its face

taxpayer could only have been made for the purpose of getting a fiscal benefit. The property could not have been acquired "as trading stock". When deciding otherwise the commissioners made a determi nation which was erroneous in point

of law.

The judge had considered himself bound to uphold the determination because of Griffiths v J. P. Harrison (Watford) Ltd ([1963] AC 1). Assuming, as one must, that the judgment in that case as to the construction of section 341(1) of the Income Tay Act 1952 was binding. Income Tax Act 1952 was binding the court, his Lordship distinguished the present appeal on the ground that it was concerned with section 274(1) of the 1970 Act. In the second appeal, the taxpayer company bought and sold quoted securities in a small way over a number of years. In March 1973 the whole of its issue share capital was acquired by a company from the Littlewoods group.

cial venture in Western Germany through a subsidiary, Medaillon Mode GmbH, which had been financially disastrous. Its only chance of recouping any losses lay in the value of Medaillon's premises in Offenbach.

Uncorroborated evidence of mental patients

Regina v Bagshaw, and Others Before Lord Justice O'Connor, Mr Justice Kilner Brown and Mr Justice Popplewell [Judgment delivered December 2]

The Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) certified that a point of law of general public importance was involved in the question whether in a case where the evidence for the Crown was solely that of a witness who was not in one of the accepted categories of suspect witnesses, but who by reason of his particular mental condition and criminal convictions fulfilled the same criteria, the judge must warn the jury that it was dangerous to convict on his uncorroborated evidence. Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was refused.

House of Lords was refused.

The Court gave reasons for allowing, on November 10, the appeals of Robert Keith Bagshaw, Brian Holmes and Alan John Starkey, who were convicted on May 11, 1982 at Nottingham Crown Court (Judge Hopkin and a jury) of illutrating varients contracts. ill-treating patients contrary to section 126 of the Mental Health Act 1959.

Mr J. B. Mortimer, QC and Mr Aidan S. Marron for the appellants; Mr Jeremy Roberts, QC and Mr Richard Dixon for the Crown.

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would their Lordships wish to make them into an additional category. offence or offences, even if they were not a category, might well fulfil to a very high degree the criteria which justified the requirement of the full warning in respect of witnesses within accepted catego-

in such cases nothing short of the

suffice.

The trial judge's summing up was no doubt that the three complainants in the present cases were shown to be persons in respect of whom the full warning was essential. The convictions were unsafe and should be guashed

Solicitor: Tracey Barlow Furniss & Co., Worksop; Director of Public Prosecutions.

Law Society report must be disclosed

Buckley v The Law Society Before Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce and Lord Justice Fox [Judgment delivered December 2] A "handround" given by Law Society staff to a professional purposes committee meeting where it was then decided that there was solicitor was a material document

requiring discovery. The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by the Law Society against the inclusion on May 17, 1983 of the handround in an order for discovery of documents relating to an intervention by them under paragraph 6(4) of Schedule I to the Solicitors Act 1974 against Mr C R Buckley: see *The Times* May 14.

1983.
Mr Ian Kennedy, QC and Mr
John P. Whittaker for the Law
Society, Mr John G. Wilmers, QC
and Mr Ian McCulloch for Mr

Buckley.

LORD JUSTICE FOX said that the court was primarily concerned with a report from the Law Society onal purposes staff to the

was passed.
The Law Society argued that the court to conclude that they should withdraw their intervention, and the handround was not relevant to that issue; it was not a case of judicial review as to whether they had directed themselves properly in deciding whether to

His Lordship could not accept that argument. The order for discovery in terms related to the position at the date when the Law Society decided they had reason to suspect dishonesty. The handround must by its very nature show grounds indicating dishonesty or the absence of it, as it appeared to the officers of the society at that time. Whether primary fact or analysis of facts, it was primary material before

Lord Justice Cummin Solicitors: Hempsons: Edwin Co. Medaillon, debts owing to it by Medaillon and debts owing by a

For the purposes of corporation tax those debts and shares had been acquired by the Littlewoods company at a cost of £3,936,765. As a consequence of the application to the transaction of section 273 of the 1970 Act the taxpayer was deemed to have acquired them for that sum, and the taxpayer claimed to have incurred a trading loss for tax purposes of £3,905,950.

The registered share capital of Medailion had not been sold but £35,447 had been received by the taxpayer in part payment of the debts on the sale of the Offenbach In his Lordship's judgment, the

and shares would never have come about if those who had planned it had not seen fiscal advantages. A deal of the instant kind did have a commercial character and was consistent with the acquisition of assets as trading stock, However

arrangements made initially and to the manner of implementation. Had not reasonably have come to the conclusion that the taxpayer had acquired the debts and shares as

ring on the first appeal, said that the words "trading stock" must imply an acquisistion for a trading purpose and to constitute a trading purpose the purpose must be commercial in character.

In the second appeal, it could not be inferred from the admitted facts that the sole or indeed the principal purpose of the acquisition by the taxpayer was fiscal,

It must be legitimate for a company when deciding when to acquire property "as trading stock" to take into account tax benefits which might follow though the acquisition itself must be for trading and not merely fiscal purposes.

and not merely listed purposes.

The board of the taxpayer company met to consider Little-woods' offer and took note that, on the information available, £55,000 would be recovered on the debts. There was no evidence as to the extent to which the board was influenced by fiscal considerations. It was a perfectly possible view of the facts that the property was acquired by the taxpayer as trading stock. Looking at the whole matter it was impossible to say that no tribunal properly instructed could

LORD JUSTICE KERR delivered a judgment concurring with Lord Justice Lawton and Lord Justice Fox on the first appeal and with Lord Justice Fox on the second

Solicitors: Solicitor, Inland Revenue; Speechly Bircham; Solicitor, Inland Revenue; Allen & Overy.

Statutory or common-law conspiracy

Regina v Ayres

Before Lord Justice O'Connor, Mr Justice Kilner Brown and Mr (Judgment delivered December 2)

The question whether conspiracy only be charged where the evidence did not support any substantive statutory conspiracy, having regard to sections 1 and 5 of the Criminal Law Act 1977, as amended, was certified as involving a point of law of general public importance. Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was

refused.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by David Edward Ayres against his conviction on October 15, 1982 at Reading Crown Court Undge Hilliard) of conspiracy to defraud. He was sentenced to eight manufactures of the construction of the months' imprisonment.

The Criminal Law Act 1977
provides by section 1: "(1) Subject to the following provisions of this part of this Act, if a person agrees

with any other person or persons that a course of conduct shall be pursued which will necessarily amount to or involve the commission of any offence or offences by one or more of the parties to the by one or more or the parties to the agreement if the agreement is carried out in accordance with their intentions, he is guilty of conspiracy to commit the offence or offences in

Section 5 provides: "(1) Subject to the following provisions of this section, the offence of conspiracy at common law is hereby abolished. "(2) Subsection (1) above shall not affect the offence of conspiracy at common law so far as relates to conspiracy to defraud, and section 1

above shall not apply in any case where the agreement in question amounts to a conspiracy to defraud

at common hw...".

Mr Christopher Wilson-Smith
and Mr Robin Tolson for the
appellant; Mr Julizo Baughan and Mr J. M. D. Chapple for the Crown.

JUSTICE KILNER BROWN, delivering the judgment of the court, said that the substantive fraud alleged was an intention to obtain money from an insurance company by a false representation that a lorry load of scallops had been stolen while in transit, which would be contrary to section 15 of the Theft Act 1968.

It had been submitted that the indictment should have been laid as a conspiracy to obtain property by deception contrary to section [[1] of the 1977 Act, and not as a conspiracy to defraud contrary to

and 5(1) and (2) had given rise to much discussion, to difference of opinion between divisions of the Court of Appeal and uncertainty in courts of first instance. The wording of section 5(1) and (2) appeared in effect to preserve the whole range of common law conspiracy to defraud, which included a wide variety of offences which were created and defined by statute and were no on-law offences.

longer common-law offences.
In R v Quinn (1978) Crim L R
750) Mr Justice Drake ruled that a
conspiracy to steal should be
charged at common law. In R r
Walters (1979) 69 Cr App R 115)
Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice
held that it was proper to regard a
conspiracy to steal as something

within a conspiracy to defraud, and that an indictment was not rendered invalid merely because it charged conspiracy to defraud if truly the

Then is R v Duncalf ([1979] 1 WLR 918) the Court of Appeal held, disapproving Quinn, that upon the true construction of section 5(2) the only common-law offence that was preserved was a conspiracy to definand simpliciter, and that where the obvious purpose of the conspiracy was to steal the Act required it to be charged as such

contrary to section 1. the practice had developed of framing indictments and con-spiracies to rob and conspiracies to steal and so forth rather than alleging a conspiracy to defraud, and alleging a conspiracy to defraud in those cases where fraud was the essence of the offence.

The convenience of that practice was demonstrated by the facts of the instant case. The difficulty was that the draughtsman plainly envisaged that a conspiracy to defraud might also be a conspiracy as defined by section 1(1), and so provided in

Their Lordships doubted whether the decisions in *Duncali* and Walters could stand together. On the clear wording of section 5(2) they were content to be bound by the decision in Walters and to hold that the appellant was properly charged with conspiracy to defraud.

The submission that the indictment was defective was rejected.

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Their Lordships, however, wished to remind those who persisted in raising questions on the form of the indictment that the arguments were of little practical importance. Even if an indictment was incorrectly framed, it was defective only and did not render the trial a nullity: see R v Molyneux ((1980) 72 Cr App R 111) and R v McLaughlin ((1982) 76 Cr App R 42).

Claiming for interest

Although a contracting party could in some circumstances be liable in special damages for interest charges which another party had incurred by reason of the first party's default in paying sums due under the contract, such damages were not recoverable where the contract expressly provided that

Alsabah Maritime Services
Company Ltd v Philippine
International Shipping Corporation
Although a contracting party
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discontinuously before the charges would not arise under it unless agreed between the charging of interest was illegal in the jurisdiction in which the contract sum should have been paid.

Mr Justice Neill so stated in the Commercial Court of the Queen's Bench Division on November 30.

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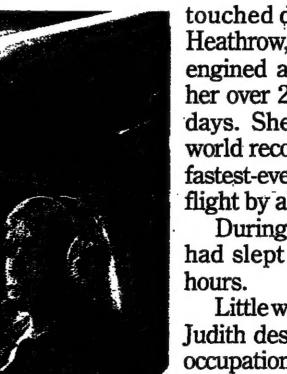
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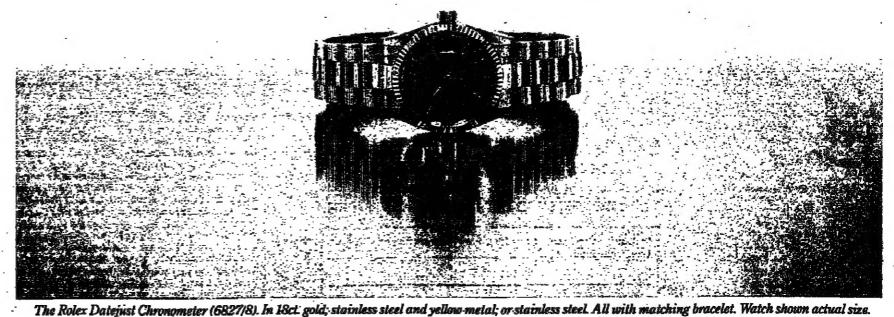
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SPECTRUM

The unlikely civil servant

The Times Profile **Lord Carrington**

war have come from opposite trum. Yet there are revealing similarities between them, in content if not in form. Neither Ernest Bevin nor Lord Carrington - due to be named tomorrow as the next Secretary-General of Nato - went to university, though both were men of powerful, natural and energetic intelligence. Both had extensive experience of the world outside politics; and neither mixed ideology with foreign affairs. The parallel should not be strained but it highlights the cross-party pragmatism that has, until very recently, characterized the British approach to foreign policy. In Carrington's case, this took the form of a coruscating common sense which was the root of his enormous popularity with the British

Most biographies linger more on the style than the substance of the man: the overtones of Whiggery, Waugh and Wodehouse: Eton, the Guards, the manor house and the acres in Buckinghamshire: and the apparent effortlessness of everything, whether the rise to power, the humour or the

sis on the antique. But it obscures the fact that Lord Carrington is a very serious, modern man. The image of the languid, aristocratic amateur is fundamentally faulty. He has a considerable disdain for the more lethargic of his caste, and his sympathy with the cause of the reform of the House of Lords (he was once its leader) is well attested.

this. But he himself admits that the behaviour. practical difficulty of entering a probable war with a controversial foreign secretary under unremitting attack from parts of the press was also very much on his mind.

travels a good deal, smoothing the way for big business from the Middle East time for his farm. But he feels the need to be stretched.

ritain's two most remarkable elected as a county councillor in his foreign secretaries since the native Buckinghamshire for three years after the war. His periods in office - at extremes of the social spec-trum. Yet there are revealing and Defence before the Foreign Office - have also been interspersed with active involvement in business and banking, and relentless travel.

At the Foreign Office, this busyness reached a peak. Initially, there was as much to learn as to do, especially about Europe. MCAs (the notoriously intricate system of Monetary Compensation Amounts paid under the agricultural policy) and the Green Pound had not existed during his earlier days in the ministry of Agriculture Carrington is not a natural economist - though he is not a matchstick man either - and he had to swot up the whole subject at the same time as he was laying the diplomatic foundations of Lancaster House. His solution was to get up at five and do a couple of hours hard work on his box before breakfast.

The inner rigour could be seen in other ways. Behind the bonhomie and the banter, there is a sharp and even merciless critic. It came out in small ways. Each ambassador thought he was Carrington's favourite. Each had his weak point too, which Carrington There is a shade of affectionate, spotted at first meeting. His almost national self-caricature in this empha- obsessive politeness was another aspect of the same characteristic. All over the world he left a trail of startled motorcycle escorts who were obliged to tug off their massive gloves to shake hands with the visiting Foreign Secretary while his plane revved and his staff anguished over the lost time. But he was equally demanding in return: kept waiting for a meeting or an His resignation is usually discussed audience for more than a minute, he in old-fashioned terms of "honour", would begin to twitch and accuse the There was certainly a strong element of culprit, whatever his rank, of insulting

The Foreign Office was the peak of Carrington's pre-Nato career; all he asked was to stay there. He had no grand strategy to implement - he hated "concepts" and would finger any thick, Since then he has fretted not so thoughtful-looking paper suspiciously much at the indignity of what and ask his private secretary whether it happened (though he has never contained any. But he saw a lot to be enjoyed anything less) as at his relative done and set about it briskly. His inactivity. He has enough to do to fill a industry, purposefulness and wit long day: as chairman of GEC he captivated his officials, who worked with him willingly, as a team.

By far the most urgent problem was so South-east Asia. He also takes his Rhodesia. It is hard to remember now. new job at the Victoria and Albert the extent to which the issue domi-Museum very seriously, and has more nated British foreign policy at that point. Often as much as 50 per cent of. the Foreign Secretary's time was: His activism in the public interest devoted to the affairs of southern goes back to the time when he was Africa. Just as Bevin, the trade

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Lord Carrington: a very serious, modern man

historical moment to secure a national consensus for the necessity of Nato; so Carrington was best placed in the House of Lords to take the hair-raising political risks of Lancaster House. The Rhodesian settlement was pushed through by a mixture of bluff, willpower and sheer diplomatic professionalism, with his friend lan Gilmour keeping the anxious Com-

mons involved.

Carrington knew all along that he was on the high wire, and naturally resented the prodding in the press and the intrigues by some of his own party to dislodge him - just as he could never forgive Nyerere's attempts to wreck the conference. He still has no regrets at having stopped an unwinnable war in which 25,000 people, including many whites, had already died, and at having staged one of the most democratic elections ever likely to be seen in Africa. He is genuinely unable to understand the opponents of the settlement. He himself is a fierce opponent of the illusion of options - in this case letting the war go on, backing the fragile Bishop Muzorewa, or both.

He was equally persistent in the search for diplomatic solutions in Gibraltar, Belize, Hongkong and the Falklands. In this sense, he was very much in tune with the new Thatcher times, with their emphasis on the evils' of complacency and inertia. Ever

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unionist, was the right man at the right conscious of the danger of letting these sensitive situations fester, he once threw a fit when a national newspaper suggested that he should learn to "leave well alone". He was conscious too of the enormity of the problems Britain faced closer to the centre of her concerns - in Europe, the Middle East, East/West relations and the Atlantic

> What had been an advantage over Rhodesia turned out to be a drawback in the Falklands. Stiff, formal and infrequent sessions with the select committee on Foreign Affairs and meetings with backbenchers could not substitute for direct involvement in the House of Commons. Maybe the crucial point in Carrington's career was his decision not to promote leaseback in the Falklands after the Commons said "no". His defence is the difficulty of doing so without signalling weakness to the Argentinians; and that it is all really hindsight anyway. It is the only real point on which the Franks Report: sought to fault him.

nly after the Rhodesian incubus was lifted was there time to devote to the central issues. Here, his activism was balanced by an inbred scepticism: some of his officials would have preferred Britain to take a higher profile in the Middle East, for example. Carrington (who had a way of making them think he was taking their advice, but doing something rather different) worked hard to secure the Venice Declaration, and at follow-up contacts. with individual Arab governments: But his short-term concern was not to pull off another diplomatic coup, but to contain the combustible uncer-tainties of the Middle East during the American electoral campaign, at a time when Carter's Camp David was manifestly failing; and to get what he saw as the simple, balanced principles of the declaration firmly established.

He has always been an unashamed believer in diplomacy. But he believes strongly in defence too. He never questioned the need for cruise or Trident, though he enjoyed stirring up waves in Whitehall by repeating at the drop of a brass hat his belief that Britain would eventually have to

choose between a first class navy, army and air force, He was unquestioning too about

Europe. At the slightest manifestation of anti-Europeanism he would launch into a well-rehearsed, but perfectly sincere, speech about his post-war reflections as he "stood in the ruins of Cologne".

It is sometimes said that Carrington, as foreign secretary, travelled too much, and lost touch with political realities at home. Seen in a different perspective, this international activism had a broader purpose and effect. By flying the flag with such flair, he helped to reassure opinion abroad while some heavy domestic furniture was being moved around. By keeping Britain's end up, he helped the government's overall popularity at a time when there seemed little prospect of an economic Lancaster House.

The key relationship was, of course, with Mrs Thatcher, They saw each other-far more often - almost daily than is usual between prime minister and foreign secretary. There were, inevitably, difficulties. But there was real mutual respect as well, and any tensions were remarkably creative As a non-contender for the throne, Carrington used his political detachment to argue forcefully for what he thought was right. They brought out the best in each other: she helping to root him in stern principle: and he acting as a catalyst between the Prime Minister's instincts and intelligence.

There was never any rancour and much mutual solicitude. Once, late on a Saturday afternoon after a tense day on the Rhodesian tightrope, he arrived pale, drawn and lunchless at Number 10. The Prime Minister suddenly realized that he had not eaten, and offered to cook him scrambled eggs in her flat upstairs. The chemistry between them was sometimes volatile, but mostly highly effective.

The Prime Minister supported his Nato candidacy, though Carrington himself has hardly gone out of his way to solicit the job. His famous "mega-phone diplomacy" speech at the International Institute of Strategic Studies last April (in fact he deliberately omitted these particular words, which he thought might be misunder-stood at Number 10, from the spoken text but they were in the press release ...) was hardly calculated to Washington's eyes.

Yet Carrington is a natural choice for Nato at a time when the effectiveness of defence through deterrence will become increasingly closely linked to the diplomacy of arms control. It is difficult to think of anyone better suited to "sell" Nato's strategy to the western public, and to reconcile transatlantic interests, after the bruising period of the Euro-missiles deployment, than a former British minister of both defence and foreign affairs with his reputation.

In a sense he is an unlikely international civil servant. Mrs Thatcher said on his resignation that he had been a "sturdy and bonny fighter for Britain". He will still be fighting for Britain, as well as for Nato in Brussels. His appointment will help to raise Britain's profile and prestige in the whole costly, complex area of security, arms control and East/West

And there is a curious continuity in the fact that Carrington, the aristocrat. should be secretary-general of an organisation in the establishment of which his distinguished, proletarian predecessor as foreign secretary had such a big hand.

George Walden The author, Conservative MP for Buckingham. was principal private secretary to Lord Carrington at the Foreign Office, 1979-81.

moreover... Miles Kington

Unsung hero of those noises off

People who do very unusual jobs indeed 17: The MP who sits nearest to the microphone on the Commons and goes "Yah! Yah!"

Whenever we hear a recording of the proceedings in the House of Commons, we can hear behind the speaker a chorus of reaction from MPs, ranging from a quiet rhubarb to a rabble riot. But no matter how loud the chorus one voice always seems closer than the others. It belongs to Quentin Huckleby, SDP-Labour member for Crossover South.
"Like all great Parliamentary customs, it

started by accident," says Quentin, an affable self-employed conveyancer of about 45. "I just happened to be sitting nearest the mike one day during a particularly boring debate on the renaming of the North Sea, and I was passed a note by the Speaker. 'Please provide some reactions? it said. 'or the radio audience will think there's no one here.' Well. I could see what he meant, so I started harrumphing and groaning a bit, as we normally would do if Mrs Thatcher was speaking

"Anyway, the Speaker came up to me afterwards and said I was a great success and could I go on doing it in future debates, so I always have. What he liked especially I think, was that he couldn't tell from the noises I was making whether I supported the speaker or not. Of course, as a Labour-SDP member I often don't know myself, so some non-committal but impassioned noises. I now have a special seat near the mike."

Quentin Huckleby has not actually spoken in the house since winning his seat at the Election, but as he has grunted and grouned non-stop through every debate, he doesn't think he has to.

"People outside the Commons often think it's rude of me to interrupt and barrack speakers but they don't realize that the speakers love it. Mrs Thatcher raising her voice to soar over the rebellious crowd beneath her - well, she's be lost if she didn't have that hubbub to fight. She'd certainly sound pretty stupid if she were shouting in a complete silence. When there's not enough noise, she actually

signals to me to start the protest going."
How does he get that distinctive "Yah-yah" noise that only MPs seem capable of?
"It's not really "Yah-yah" if you listen closely. It's more like 'Hear hear' recorded at 45 rpm and then played back at 33 rpm. improve his chances of appointment in It's got overiones of approval and disapproval at the same time. The same with what the press calls cries of 'Oh! Oh! Oh!'. This is really 'Ho ho ho' slowed down and played back with more bass. And a touch of echo."
Wouldn't Mr Huckleby admit that the

Parliamentary chorus is rather like a secondary school class barracking a weak

"Not at all. I'd say it was more like a primary school, played back at half the

"Oh, definitely. That's why the public loves it. I know the critics say we sound charabanc, but let's face it that's what people identify with. Of course, as the prime mover I have to do a lot of Rehearsing? How can you rehearse

crowd reactions? "Easily. Sometimes I practise as a

drinker who's just been told it's closing time - lots of MPs are well away, so that's fitting. Sometimes as an England forward being sent off in the French match, sometimes as Cecil Parkinson being found

What would happen if he genuinely got angry about something being said in the

Commons?
"Oh, we don't actually listen to what's being said, we just listen to the tone of the voice. I'm not sure what would happen if I found myself following the speeches. Drop off to sleep. I expect. The only time I got really angry was when I noticed Mrs Thatcher edging near the microphone during a Neil Kinnock explosion, and booing into it, rather like herself at half speed. Well, that's not her job, that's my job, and I rather told her off, I'm afraid." Can he remember exactly what he said to

"It doesn't really matter, does it? During a Neil Kinnock explosion, all you can hear is Welsh spit flying into outer space."

CONCISE CROSSWORD

Nato's man in the middle

Nato, as the most senior official of the biggest and most powerful security alliance in the world, has immense prestige but, in reality, very little power, He is an international

civil servant appointed by the organization's highest body, the North Atlantic Council, which consists of the representative ministers from each member country. this council, the Defeace Planning Committee, and the Nuclear Pleaning Group, in their meetings at ministerial level - normally twice a year - and in their regular and informal

meetings at permanent representatives' level -ormally twice a meek There he can exert considerable influence but all decisions are made by the delegates and, as the erganization has no sepra national character, they kave to be unanim

It is from this apparent weakness that his power derives but it is that of a diplomat rather than that of a ruler. Where there are conflicting autional interests and potential disagreements. he must recognise the main lines of possible consensus and move ministers or their tatives towards it by personal persuasion. He can do this alone or by seeking the support of one or more of the ministers; he can point out approach avenues, suggest compromises, inform and instruct - but be



plated Rolls-Royce

There is no standard contract for a secretary-general. Matters such as salary, entertainment and travel expenses, house and car, are negotiated between Council and candidate, Mr Joseph Luns, the outgoing Secretary-General, has a tax-free salary comparable to that of the United Nations Secretary-General a fally staffed house and is driven in a green, armour-plated Rolls-Royce.

Se far the incumbent has set his own time limit; Mr Lans is in his thirteenth year. It is understood that the Council will now limit the next term to four years, A new incombent will himself decide the limitations he must impo-on himself. Contracts for members of the

international staff stipulate that they give their endivided attention to their task and they cannot, therefore, hold other posts. Membership of a board of directors of any commercial

appointment, let alone, in view of its defence equipment production side, that of GEC. Equally, he would not be able to take an active part in the politics of his own country. However, propagating the Nato doctrine has become one of the primary functions of the secretary-general, one which Mr Luns fulfilled untiringly. His tasks are manifold, his problems vast. At a time when East-West relations

are at their worst since the early 1950s, the Alliance is under considerable internal stress. The secretarygeneral inherits a watching brief on Greece and Turkey, will have to face a

will have to face a referencem on adherence in Spain, and sees a perennial tag of war between Europe and the United States. He will need great powers of persuasion and conciliation as well as penetrating vision to achieve even a measure of success.

Frederick Bonnart

LECH WALESA The interview with Lech Walesa, carried on yesterday's Spectrum page, was the result of questions compiled by Western journalists based in Poland and put to Mr Walesa by two intermediaries a Polish allowed to work in his own country for two years and a Polish-speaking Western journalist, both of whom desired to remain anony-

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BOOKS

Sandy Wilson on the lyrics of Cole Porter and Noel Coward Born to set our toes tapping



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Cole Porter with Silk Stockings in 1961

The Complete Lyrics of Cole Porter Edited by Robert Kimball (Hamish Hamilton, £25)

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The Lyrics of Noel Coward

(Methuen, £9.95, paperback

Porter lyric dates back to 1935, when C. B. Cochran presented Anything Goes at the Palace Theatre. My entire family went, a leading songster/You're a while I was banished to an aunt road where there ain't no policeman who, at that time, Farming and The Leader of a

ists, beating, if you can believe diums of the topics and Then came his movie Born Dance. in which James Stewart sang - not at all badly - fair/Why does she let Joan one of Porter's best romantic Bennett wear all her old hair?" ballads, Easy to Love, to who today remembers that the Eleanor Powell, and Virginia blonde Miss Bennett studdenly Bruce, as a Broadway star, vamped him with I've Got You vamped him with I've Got You And in Farming we are told Under My Skin, and, during a that George Raft's cows fail to personal appearance on a battleship (Ah, the Thirties!), sang the musical and lyrical curiosity, Love Me, Love My Pekingese. No more Porter shows - such as Jubilee, Red Hot and Blue, and Leave It To Me - came to London in that decade, though some of their songs did; but during the War Manhattan that almost everythere was a rash of them: Dubarry Was a Lady with Frances Day and Arthur Riscoe. one knew who and what he was talking about. Panama Hattie with Bebe Daniels, Something For The Boys with Evelyn Dall, Let's Face It with Bobby Howes and Pat Kirkwood, The last did quite well, but the other three, which had all starred Merman in New York, failed to make

much impact. But at the beginning of the 50s there arrived what many consider his masterpiece, Kiss Me. Kate, in which almost every song was perfection in itself and a perfect complement to the libretto. I say "almost" because Porter's wit, so scintillating in the 30s. became a little tarnished in the 40s and, in Brush Up Your Shakespeare ("Kick her right in the Coriolanus"), downright This World, a modern version

Can and Silk Stockings were heavy-going. My favourite American lyricist is Lorenz Hart, but Porter was also, of course, like Irving Berlin, his own composer, and although a lyric such as Night and Day may not read like much, when it is inextricably wedded to its melody it becomes something very special. In his best comedy lyrics Porter was urbane and delight-fully flip, and numbers such as hear of it, the better!

used to chase speeding motor- Big Time Band are compenpersonalities of the day. Take this from the first: "Let's speak of Lamarr, that Hedy so went brunette in, I think, 1939? calf because "Georgie's buil is beautiful but he's gay" - the first recorded use of the word in that sense (and a bitter loss to lyric-writers, I may say, since it has so many rhymes!). It is a measure of the sophistication of Broadway audiences at that time and of the intimacy of

> This huge volume contains every single one of Cole Porter's lyrics, from his student days to his death, including many never used or cut from shows. It also has a foreword by John Updike and some attractive photo-Bruce" should be "Una Merkel" and on p.220. "Janet Blair" should be "Cobina Wright Jr") but at £25 is hardly a snip. However, for Broadwa buffs^{*} it could be a useful corrective to the often misinformed drivel one hears on the radio (usually on Sunday afternoons),

Coincidentally Methuen have

republished the collected lyrics grubby. His next show, Out Of of Noel Coward. He once told roe that he considered Cole Porter his only peer (he dismissed Hart as "vulgar") of Amphitryon, though a failure, sounds like fun: but both Can and, in a renowned collaboration, he added several choruses to Porter's Let's Do It. Coward's lyrics are, I think, better known in this country, perhaps because he recorded so many of them so superbly himself. Porter recorded a few of his - and extremely to touch either of them today I'm afraid; in the field of lyricwriting "Anything", it seems, "goes" - and the less one can - and the less one can

Hark! hark! the Larkin Required Writing By Philip Larkin

(Faber, £4.95)

It is an agreeable irony that the finest critic of our generation should be so reluctant to review. Telephone the Hull University Librarian with the proposition of a book to review, and he will murmur polite velleities that he had more time, and that it had been a detective story or a work about the Beatles, Occasionally Larkin agrees to review, which is why he has called his pieces from the past 30 years Required Writing. I can think of few other critics whose reviews would be worth collecting; and none whose collection would show so wide a range, and be so continually surprising and entertaining. The subjects range from the mandarin to the pop, from new ideas about Housman and Marvell, to jazz record reviews and James film-Bond, the childish Batman from Blades. One conspicuous quality of Larkin's criticism is its honesty. He is never scared of the Emperor's clothes, whether they are modernism in

were for Wordsworth, He is funny as well as sharp; "I should never call myself a book lover, any more than a people lover, it all depends what's inside them." sharp as well as funny: "Many poets are paranoise bores, and those impure assemblages known as poetry readings are a wonderful new way of being paranoiacally boring." He is often moving, as when recalling the old excitement of jazz, and always sees farther than most of us. That is why it is worth persevering in asking him to review. His collected pieces are required reading, and the next

best thing to a new collection of

the arts, Auden's poetry after he

left England, the attractions of

children, or himself: "Depri-vation is for me what daffodils

Philip Howard

three years 1981/3.

Pamela McCorduck Michael Joseph, £9.95)

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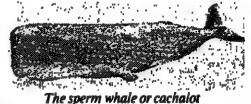
The slow-moving southern right whale

balance seems about right; though penguins whose diet is similar to whales' might have something to say about that. The more whales there are the less food for penguins and vice As for the beautiful intelligent dolphins they too, seem to be in no danger of vanishing. In

ne erens there is a threat to them but not over world as a whole. Governments are aware that they must be protected. The American ter industry had problems with dolphins a few years ago because the dolphins got caught in the tur ago because the dorphins got caught in the table nets. Stringent regulations have been introduced into this type of fishing to reduce the mortality rate of dolphins. Man, it seems, is considerate for dolphins even when after food for himself.

Naturally none of the cheerful information about how whales and dolphins are getting on is contained in this book. That would spoil the fun-The contributions of the Greenpeace Foundation activists in this area is mainly to get in the way of whale boats fishing to strictly controlled limits in a manner which can be highly dangerous to

But don't let me put you off the book entirely. It is a collection of prose, poetry and pictures about whales and dolphins. Many of the pictures are good, the better the older they are, but some of the modern ones are meaningless. There are extracts from Moby Dick, of course, in which novel there is not much protest against whale catching; and all of the Book of Jonah is reproduced, happily in the King James's version. Yet I do not think this collection of this and that about whales and dolphins is worth £27.50 unless you wish to subscibe to the Greenpeace Foundations's "Save the Whales Campaiga"



Making newspapers redundant? Generation computer project

Woodrow Wyatt whales into Greenpeace

.. is another man's poisson

The Fifth Generation iour." And they make an Japan's Computer Challenge to the World

Edited by Greg Gatenby (Little Brown/Hutchinson, £27.50)

I thought the Greenpeace people were barmy before I saw this book. Now I know they are. Whales and dolphins are being staughtened around the world, with increasingly brutal efficiency, and are in grave danger of extinction. The thought that these beautiful creatures may be destroyed for ever in troubling in itself, it is also a foreboding of man's inability to control his greed and selfishness. And so the major purpose of Whales: A Celebration is to guin support, both financial and moved, for the cause of the cetacaus: to demonstrate the strong international objection to their destruction and raise funds for the Greenpeace Foundation's "Save the Whales Campaign".

But Whales have long been in no danger of

extinction. The International Whaling Commi-

sion was set up in 1946. As a result commercial

whaling has been rigorously reduced and controlled. It is estimated that the ten major

species have a population of 2.8 million. The total catch for 1983/4 was fixed at a little over

10,000. Whales are making a strong recovery from the depletions of centuries of whaling.

Fin whale from The Times Atlas of the

There is a problem with the white Bowbe

whale living in the Arctic. These are hunted by

Alaskan Eskimos for food and oil. Catching them is a part of the Eskimo culture and whaling

is their chief status symbol. Money was injecte

into the Eskimo economy by companies drilling

for oil. So the Eskimos were able to buy more

whaling boats and kill more Bowhead whales. But not now. Members of the International

Whaling Commission have persuaded the US

Government to reduce the numbers which can be

caught, to the annoyance of the Eskimos, from 79 in 1977 to a total of 45 for the whole of the

Nowhere are whales under any threat of

disappearance from whaling. Pollution in some

waters could become dangerons. Shipping noises can disrupt the directional hearing on which

which many whales out as their staple diet could make it difficult for them but the ecological

ales depend. Fishing for human ne

By Edward A. Feigenbaum &

The Fifth Generation is a lucid and powerful political tract. Its ourpose is to launch a billion dollar crusade in the United States to develop computers

The authors define AI, as it is known in the trade, as "making

articulate attempt to persuade us that such machines are worth

one of many possibilies dis-cussed in the book: a computer terminal trained to pick out stories that will interest you from hundreds of electronic news sources. Another is a geriatric robot to care for old people while listening to their repetitive stories of the past. without ever becoming bored

But Feigenbaum and McCorduck rely more on the argument

that will give it worldwide industrial dominance unless the United States devote similar resources to AL The Jap-scare approach, with

its appeals to American patriotism and to "national security", seems to be working. The book has had significant political impact in the United States, where the government and rallying for the crusade.

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London and Paris

The success of Hugh Casson's the Tower of the Winds in drawings lies in their humanity Athens, but includes some of its and sense of scale while his design elements and some from photographic eye enables him the Choragic Monument of to make buildings look right Lysicrates; The Hayward Galwithout artistic embellishment. His ability to show in a flash Arup and Partners but by the and in a few delicate colours Architects' Department of the exactly what he wants is a priceless gift.

in Hugh Casson's London (Dent. £9.95) his anecdotes are always fresh and sometimes quite unbelievable: did he really wear a long college scarf and staccato prose occasionally brings one up short, but he is never at a loss for an apt adjective.

It is curious that most of the buildings he deals with are actually worth drawing and odd too is the fact that whereas his guardsmen are always correctly upright his civilians normally lean into a strong wind.

The London Encyclopaedia (Macmillan, £24), edited by Ben Weinreb and Christopher Hibbert, sims to tell us everything we should know about London. It relies upon, and acknowledges, many sources including Pevsner and the Survey of London, but I am worried by its inaccuracies. For example, Sir John Soane's Museum is referred to but has no entry; the tower of St Pancras Church is not a copy of

the Choragic Monument of lery was designed not by Ove GLC under Sir Hubert Bennett. Arup's were the structural

in Scotland, but we had the

records on the gramophone and

I learned all the words of You're

from easy by the fact that

Cochran had cast in the part of

Reno Sweeney, played on Broadway by Ethel Merman (Porter's favourite vocalist:

very syllable of his lyrics hit

the back of the balcony), a

French lady called Jeanne Aubert. What is more, some of

the lyrics had been Anglicized

(by P. G. Wodehouse?) and one

couplet went: "You're an ode by

the Top - a task rendered

These mistakes do not emount to much unless you happen to be buffing up your facts for the BBC's Brain of plus-fours at Cambridge? His Britain contest, but they are

> Paris (Thames and Hudson, £25) makes a big initial impact. Author John Russell and I are more or less of an age and our first impressions of what I used to think of as the world's most beautiful city were much the same. Here he has made an excellent choice of paintings, prints and above all period photographs, but at first I thought the rather small print of the text was merely to keep the illustrations apart. I was wrong, it has much of interest, perhaps rather too much. The book was first published in 1960 and has been considerably enlarged to

> > Gontran Goulden

the point where it is now almost an encyclopaedia. I wonder if that is a good thing.

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Fiction Phagors, fuggies and bips

Helliconia Summer By Brian Aldiss (Cape. £8.50)

By Eva Figes

(Hamish Hamilton, £6.95) The first volume of Aldiss's Helliconia trilogy established an Earth-like planet which, he hoped, mirrored our concerns. "No one wants a passport to a nation of talking slugs." There was nothing sluggish about Helliconia Spring except its pace which, for me at least, destroyed that planet's "particular interest for the people of Earth." It read like a sophisticated shaggy-dog story revolving slowly aroung the rivalry between man and that beastspecies (which can see in the dark and stand motionless for

hours) – the phagor. Things hot up considerably in this second instalment. It concentrates on the events of six months rather than hundreds of years and it consigns the phagors, albeit temporarily, to a servile role. The King of Borlien, a moody mixture of Hamlet and Henry the Eighth, becomes convinced his country will only survive if it enters an alliance with neighbouring Oldorando. He is persuaded to divorce his beautiful Queen -

on the pretext that she has consorted carnally with dolphins - and marry the II-yearold Princess of Oldorando.

Never mind that the characters have names like runny noses, for this is a familiar tale, told intelligently and with Waking assurance, of survival and poetic

power and love; a tale which smacks less of science fiction than medieval romance. What iars is the method by which we are made aware it is science fiction, Scrutinizing the antics of King Jandol Anganol and Queen Myrdem inggala (try those without a hanky) is a spaceship from Earth on which is held, wait for it, the Helliconia Holiday Lottery. The winner, in this case a boy called Billy, gets a one-way ticket to Heliconia knowing full well he will succumb to the belico-virus and die. I could have done without Billy.

This novel's strength over its predecessor lies as much in the structure as the story, which, narrated in a round-about way, emphasizes Helliconia's principal difference with Earth - the length of its years. Other differences are conveyed by means of an indigenous vocabulary. In some places its details are so dense and technical that one glosses over them; in others a glossary is needed to distinguish between fessups, fuggies and stungebags. In the main, though, this vocabulary does give credence to a successfully gracined and it doesn't fully imagined world. It doesn't take a specialist to understand the Helliconain girl who complains "you're hurting my

"I have had my vision", proclaims the artist Lily Brisco at the end of To the Lighthouse. I have almost had Eva Figes's.

One cries Woolf yet again in reading Light which was shortlisted for the Whithread Fioter than the same of the work of the whithread Fioter than the same of the same of the work tion Prize. One also cries Figes. "Light", began her last novel Waking, which in its limpid, poetic prose recalled The

Waves. "Glowing yellow. It spills into the room of wavering shadows and forms a pool on the floor." Not much has changed in Light, where "strips of light spilled on the waxed floor in bright pools." This novella follows a day in

from dawn to dusk one summer's day at Giverny. The style, like the content, is impressionistic. "We live in a luminous cloud of changing light, a sort of envelope", explains Monet. "That is what I have to catch." In the blue-grey hush before dawn he goes to paint his lily pond in which, like a polished mirror, is trapped earth, water and sky. He blows smoke rings and feels himself inside an "aquamarine bubble"

On dry land, as the sun floods the air with "white and gold, so that nothing was visible but light itself", his grandaughter, Lily, blows bubbles of soap from a clay pipe and feels "an urge to talk to pansies". A friend joins the family for lunch; Lily's widowed father returns from Paris and that, really, is that. It is fragile, shimmering and somewhat transparent world that Figes paints; a world which though drenched with all the colours of the rainbow, leaves the mind a blank. To read her delicate, elegant, but unadventurous prose is to look through a stocking that is sometimes silken sometimes nylon. Light

> Nicholas Shakespeare

Crime Hard truths about prejudice

The Dark Fantastic By Stanley Ellin (André Deutsch, £8.95)

Here is a book by one of the truth-tellers. In crime fiction, where emphasis is placed on boiling up excitement, ingenious reader tricking, and other tradesmen's devices, such books are rare, though Ellin is by no means the only truth-teller in the field. But he is decidedly there, in whatever aspect of his story he is handling. The nasty equally with the good are depicted so as you believe this is what such people are like, through and through. The tough

But excitement, that contractual quality in this sort of novel. is in no way sacrificed. Ellin's story tells of a madman, or near madman, determined to blow up a New York tenement inhabited by blacks and of the Italian-American private investigator who, by chance, is drawn into discovering what is hap-pening. And Ellin tells this tale for a reason: to write about

prejudice. Centrally he con-

siders race prejudice, that itch so much more deeply embed-ded in the American psyche than in ours. (After all, it was at the heart of their Civil War almost within living memory, as ours with its equivalent religious prejudice is not.) But peripherally Ellin is able to deal with national prejudice and sex prejudice too, each reflecting on his theme, neither ousting his

Add that he writes American, that invigoratingly punchy lan-guage, and you have a book to savour. There are one-liners in and the touching, the hater and the lovers, all are made to seem incidental phrases sharp as cattle-goads ("The sight... goosed Mustache into action"). These come by the dozen. They speed you along at stampede

the high tradition (a man "so cagey he wouldn't enter a confessional without taking his lawyer along") and there are

The Hanging Tree, by Bill Knox (Hutchinson, £7.95). Scots-eyeview of the newest major crime, video piracy, with not even murder barred. If you can imagine porridge made exciting,

State's Evidence, by Stephen Greenleaf (New English Library, £8.95). Today's version of the classic American private-eye tale with all the good ingredients, plus, alas, a plethora of long words over too minny pages.

The Pangersbourne Murders, by Jeremy Sturrock (Hale. £7.95). Rollicking Georgian investigation into horticultural matfeasance. Period detail pops up a-gogo, if not always quite convincingly.

The Russian Intelligence, by Michael Moorcock (The English Library, £7.95). Can you revise a jape? S.F. prodigal prizewinner Moorcock has with this 1966 nudge-nudge spy frolic re-vamped, bludgeon sarcasm and all.

The Cruise of a Deathtime, by Marian Babson (Collins, £6.75). Cumulative corpses aboard. with a sharp look at maritime fun. Miss Babson happily and adroitly light fantastics the trip.

H. R. F. Keating



THE TIMES DIARY

Going up,

and up
The Chief of the Defence Staff has principle of Buggins' turn, the heads of the three services rotating as overall chief. According to these rules, the next Chief should be Air Chief Marshal Sir Keith Williamson. It is far more likely, however, that he will be passed over in favour of Sir John Fieldhouse, Chief of Naval Staff and First Sea Lord, who distinguished himself during the Falklands war, Last month, Sir John received a further distinction: he was made an honorary member of the Halley's Comet Society in a ceremony which took place in the King Henry VIII cellar at the Ministry of Defence.

Mandarin red

The Association of First Division Civil Servants, which is affiliated to the TUC, has a suitably workmanlike diary for 1984. It is bound in dark red leatherette and contains a London underground map and lists of leave allowances. Fittingly, for such a top people's union, it also includes a vintage

'Ark at that

London schoolchildren sang a new, downbeat carol at the ILEA carol festival earlier this week. Called The Reindeer Song, its chorus goes: "I'm a fourth-rate, clapped-out

reindeer, Can't get my footwork right, I'm gonna wreck that Yuletide

sleigh-ride, Gonna goof it on the night. HEA music coordinator Rosemary Mitchell, who wrote the lyrics, said ahe thought all the existing reindeer songs "very mawkish". She des-cribes her new version as "a streetculture kind of song - the children sing it in a very London way, like street arabs."

 Discussing the noble pedigree of George de Stacpoole, new-born heir to a viscountry, marquisate and ireland's only papal dukedom, the Irish Independent insists that the baby's ancestors came over with Sir William the Conqueror.

Flat out

Anyone about to park a radio-controlled toy car in a Christmas stocking should be aware that a fullsized family car is probably cheaper to run. A colleague returned a toy version to the shop where he had bought it the day before for his son's birthday. He complained that the toy had ceased to function quite on the birthday morn and was told, "It's the batteries, Sir. They only last seven minutes." At £1.20 a that's more expensive than

BARRY FANTONI



Books, books, books ... we'll get fat on books

Software

In announcing voting procedures for the Today programme's Man and Woman of the Year event, announcer Peter Hobday seemed to be asking for the title of Male Chauvinist of the Year for himself. He asked listeners who wished to nominate both a man and a woman to list the names on separate postcards because the BBC's computer could not cope with two names on one card - "the computer, I'm afraid, being somewhat human

Going down roses Next April, Chatto and Windus publish A Nice Girl Like Me, an

account of journalist Rosie Boycott's hattle with alcohol. The catalogue description runs: "After her time at the exclusive Cheltenham Ladies' College, Rosie found her way into the London counter-culture of the Seventies, experimenting with dope, sex and booze. She wound up in a sex and booze. She wound up in a Thai jail on drug smuggling charges. She spent time in an Indian ashram watching a friend die of cancer. Then somehow it all went wrong."

Jacked up

London's casino owners had better look sharp now Doug is back in town. Doug isn't his real name but then neither is Frank Dracman, which he sometimes uses. Two years which he sometimes uses. Two years ago, Doug bought a computer and taught himself how to programme it to keep track of every single card used during a game of blackjack. Puzzled essino owners in Las Vegas aren't sure what he's up to but a lot of them, knowing he's up to something, have denied him entrance. Doug reasons that if he gets thrown out of every casino in America, he may have to settle here; hence his reluctance to reveal his hence his reluctance to reveal his real name. He can be seen on television in A Wedding in Las Vegas, on BBC1 on December 27. What you can't see is how he uses computer technology to get a mathematical advantage over the

Coming to terms with the evil eye

The Commons are dithering on the brink of television. Resistance looks dated and lastditch. Yet we will still have to be pushed into our final decision. That push into the twentieth century could well be adminis-tered by a bastion of the nineteenth, the

Instead of concentrating on the realities of our role and how it can be made relevant to a modern society in which people get most of their news and information from television, the argument in Parliament has been dominated by prejudice and fear. Most MPs still like to see the chamber as a forum for persuasion by deliberation. In fact, of course, we have government by party, the verdict pre-ordained. Yet the party battle can have no din, its stage no audience, unless both reach the public. At the moment they clearly do not. On this rational basis there is no real argument against television. We use it or Parliament continues to decline in reliance, respect and public standing.

. Television has the audience whose attention the politicians seek. Unable to cover parliamentary politics in any mediagenic way, it has been forced to stage its own political circuses with Sir Robin and Alistair and others as ring masters. We now view the results with a mixture of fear and envy,

eager to appear but always ready to cry foul. Parliament deals with eternal verities; television sensationalizes, trivializes, dilutes with entertainment. In short, it distorts. But the other fear is contradictory. We also worry that television will show Parliament's reality, the vast acres of empty benches, MPs sleeping, gossiping, picking their noses,

As the House of Lords prepares to debate the television of its proceedings, Austin Mitchell
MP urges his colleagues
in both houses to take

or alternatively shouting, screaming, hounding Mrs Thatcher and generally re-enacting feeding time at Whipsnade.

The arguments against admitting the

the last steps towards

admitting the cameras

cameras are as strong, as prejudiced and as irrelevant as ever, but the Commons have now voted, albeit by a small majority, in favour of the principle.

Younger MPs are less deferential to encrusted tradition; public opinion is in favour and most other legislatures have shown the way. Finally, cable is coming, with it the ability to do what radio should be doing: providing continuous coverage of the kind that those interested can tune into and drop out of as they wish.

This is the importance of the Lords' vote. Because television confers importance on anything it covers - indeed many people assume that nothing can be important unless covered by television - televising the Lords would threaten the Commons', primacy. More important, though, the Lords can show that television can improve and serious issues does occur.

It's a shame that the raw material, their lordships, is not as good as we can offer. Yet their experience will allow fears to vanish like mists before the rising sun. Soon we will all be wondering why we never had television before. What took us so long?

Which leaves only the technical problem of what kind of coverage. My own Bills have been based on introducing the Canadian system: coverage by unobtrusive, wallmounted cameras, neutral mid-shots of the Member speaking with no cutaways or reaction shots, the whole controlled by the Commons itself, just as Hansard is. This makes for duller television - the broadcasting organizations are not happy with it - but I opted for it because it makes introduction

Unfortunately, such coverage is expensive: installation in the USA cost \$1.2m. The television channels can be asked to contribute but the costs must come from the public purse, which is hardly an attractive proposal for a government like the present. The Lords, being bolder spirits, may well opt for the alternative, which is to hand themselves over to the TV organizations.

The Government could opt for a compromise: outside money, ultimate control inside. These considerations are tactical and technical. The reality is that we stand on the brink of change. The Government should take us there.

The author is Labour MP for Grimsby.

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Land of myth and missile: Roger Boyes reports from East Germany

Behind the wire, a chill wind

War and peace, hell and heaven: visions of the apocalypse crowd the thickset woodland of Thuringia, with its witches and its imps, its T-72 tanks and sparkling new missiles. This is the front line of the Warsaw Pact and the nervousness of the East Germans is everywhere in evidence. In the air there is Kriegsstimmung, war-mood, though the official talk is of peace, of special peace shifts in the factories, of concerts for peace, of peace film

Soviet soldiers are ubiquitous: political officers with relatively long hair and bulging briefcases read Irvestic on the commuter trains, callow conscripts from Kirghizla. barely able to speak Russian and bewildered by the Germans, thrust a movement order at a passer-by, hoping for directions they can understand. The smell of their damp snow-sodden gaberdine mingles with the scents of Christmas, the

pine and the candles.

Hell, we know from Thuringian mythology, is in East Germany. The story goes that a pious English accounts) named Reinswig was informed that her husband, recently dead, could be heard howling and screaming in hell's torment from deep within a cave in the village of Sacrtlestaett. At the entrance of hell, she set up a chapel to administer to the damned and for a while the soul of her husband was at peace.

Nowadays in Saettlestaett the images of hell and the loud gnashing. of teeth come from the television Germany - the notable exception is Dresden - can pick up West German television and there was scarcely a family in the state that did not follow the recent parliamentary debates in Bonn on the stationing of cruise and Pershings. For once the Schwarze Kanal - the Black Councel did not undermine the East German propaganda machine, but rather supported it, fed the new myths of Thuringia to the East

German viewer.
It seemed as if devil-in-the-flesh Reagan, assisted ably by his apprentice Helmut Kohl, had trampled on public opinion and imposed a new tension on East-West' relations that would above all hurt the East Germans. ("Do you think this is going to make it any easier for us to travel to the West? It's a mistake, a blunder": thus a young teenager who in the West would electric have been a George. clearly have been a Green.)



The Bundestag vote, posched from the television screens, had two other effects on the public mood: it made it easier for those whose official role is to justify new Soviet missiles to the East German population and it has made the work movement in Eastern Europe more difficult (though, they would say, more urgent).

Red banners in Weimar, in Erfurt. shout about the indestructible friendship with the Soviet Union and the Soviet army, rather as an Oxford Street tout will hoarsely advertise the merits of a toy designed to withstand the bombardment of a three-year-old. The Russians are known, often ironic-ally, sometimes with a pitying shrug, as the "friends". There are quite a lot of friends: most western estimates say 380,000 men in East Germany, a large proportion of them in Thuringia. Add some 10,000 main battle tanks and the armoury of long and not-so-longrange missiles and it becomes clear that this friendship, if not indestruc-

Moreover with an East German "people's army" of 115,000 and an active force of 50,000 border troops, there seems little doubt that this is one of the most densely militarized areas in the world. As befits a friendship scaled in Potsdam rather than heaven, the Russians keep their distance. In their Erfurt barracks they have their own cinema, library and clubroom. When they come to town they are kept on a tight leash. Free German Youth (FDJ) acti-

vists deny there is any tension between the Russians and the East

Germans and say too that the new western missiles will cement the relationship. "As soon as the Bundestag made its decisions there were spontaneous meetings in factories to discuss the situation. There is no room for doubt any

But there are doubters still. Many church communities have been expressing their fears about the new Soviet missiles, though they must do so discreetly, for this is dangerous terrain. Speakers at the recent Mecklenburg synod criticized the missiles, and the parish of Babelsberg sent a letter to the party leader, Erich Honecker - printed in the party daily Neues Deutschland saying they were deeply afraid of a deterioration in the situation between the two superpowers" (without pinning the blame solely on the United States).

The swords-into-ploughshares symbol of the East German peace movement, possession of which was once enough to attract detention and questioning, is back, printed on bookmarks and pamphlets.

The difference between the West and East German peace movements. besides the obvious contrasts in size and legality, is that the West is concerned with protesting against its limited sovereignty, the sense of powerlessness that comes when American hardware is distributed throughout the German countryside. The East Germans have lived with limited sovereignty for a long time and they know that a Soviet withdrawal is not feasible, not a realistic goal.

Instead, the movement - nobody knows how many people it embra-

ces, perhaps several hundred in Jens and East Berlin - concentrates on trying to slow down the pace of the militarization of East German society. Priests complain that children have problems at school if they do not take part in para-miliforced as part of their contract to take part in shooting exercises.

The peace activists in Jena, some of whom are now in iail, want more: open discussion of the possibility of a nuclear-free Europe; the honouring of the right of conscripts to serve in construction brigades rather than carry arms; a guarantee that women will not be recruited into the army. The harassment of these activists

But in general Kriegsstimmung leads not to dissident pressure for action against Soviet missiles, but rather for a more sympathetic attitude to Honecker's leadership. This Mr Honecker exploits with some tactical skill. He tells the Central Committee that new Soviet missiles will be stationed at a faster rate to counter the cruise and Pershing, but this is firmly identified as the fault of the West. At the same time he declares that he is open to any new initiative to improve relations with Bonn.

It is the mime of injured innocence, an oddly credible act for his citizens. And somewhere amid all the manoeuvring, buck-passing and propaganda games, the actual cause of the fuss, the stationing of Soviet SS-20 missiles, has been forgotten, buried under the images of nuclear war and nuclear peace, of

But why no artistry on the outside too?

Just over 2 year ago Michael Heseltine, the minister concerned, announced that all the schemes in the competition for the National Gallery extension on the adjoining bomb site had been rejected, but that one of the three finalists, Ahrends Burton & Koralek (ABK), in association with Trafalgar House, had been invited to meet the wastess to produce a mutually acceptable

At last the new scheme has been unveiled, prior to an application for planning permission and an inevi-table public inquiry.

The original competition, a joint

affair which combined architects and property developers, resulted in almost as chaotic a situation as most Victorian competitions, in which notoriously, the winner never got to build his design. As well as ABK, designs by the well-known American architectural firm of Skidmoor Owens and Merrill and the high-tech whizkid Richard Rogers were commended (or would have been had this been an ordinary compe-

tition).
It was then learned that the trustees preferred the Skidmoor design, but Mr Heseltine, in a fit of patriotism - this was not long after PHS the Falklands war - decided on a British firm and chose ABK. The

damned by the praise of the president of RIBA for the way it said "sod you" to the other buildings in Trafalgar Square; this inaugurated a new phase of architectural criticism. As might be imagined, the designer of the Pompidou Centre in Paris and the new Lloyds Building in the City had draped the outside of his building in brightly coloured pipes, and at the corner by the Gallery he had designed a tower in the form of an oil rig. ABK, on the other hand, had

eschewed all such flashiness and designed a building surprisingly Roman in character, a square block, the inside scooped out in a great the gallery, the elevations strongly symmetrical with Caracalla-like windows and a curved roof pierced with oval lunettes.

The design had a gravitas suitable to its position and although, like all the other designs (because of the brief), did not make any attempt to improve the facade of the National Gallery itself – which has always worseld an unstificatory backdron. proved an unsatisfactory backdrop to one of London's very few imperial spaces – did at least offer an architecture which could happily take its place beside its neighbours

It has been questioned whether the Gallery needs the extra space, but even if it does, no effort was made to consider any other solution to its problems. The most obvious would be to extend the National Gallery upwards and pay for this by selling the bomb site to the highest bidder. But one of the troubles with competitions is that the brief is

So the architects were landed with the problem of designing a building with mutally incompatible functions, an art gallery above a prestige office block. An office on this site can only be used as a headquarters building, which Trafalger House intends. It was no doubt this almost impossible task that caused all the delays in announcing the new

But alas it has meant that all the quality of the original design has been lost in the process. Instead of the Caracalla windows we now have a typical framed building of the late 1960s, sheets of glass below for the offices and panels of Bath stone above. This stone contrasts insensi-tively with the Portland stone of some of the plinths in the new buildings and, of course, the buildings to either side of the

The most important new addition

glass-faced tower which, like the Seifert Prudential building in the City, ends in a series of stone planes and what look like scaffold poles. The circular court is retained from the earlier but to little purpose now since the entrance is from the street by the tower. The courtyard is left merely to generate a minor cyclone round which all the rubbish of Trafalgar Square will blow.

Perhaps it is too much to expect today that we might see classical architecture on a public building (though many buildings in the private sector now being built, even in the City, are using classical details) but is it too much to ask that an extension to the most important of English art galleries could at least have some art, either sculpture or murals, on the outside?

And for that matter, why must all

the galleries be barren of any architecture, just great bland shells to exhibit art divorced from all human contact and anything that can give it life?

A great deal more work must be done before this building can become a worthy addition to even the wet architecture of the National Gallery.

Roderick Gradidge

Ronald Butt

Floored by their very own flaw

Mr Giles Radice, Labour spokesman on education, Mr Fred Jarvis of the National Union of Teachers, and Mr John Swallow, president of the National Association of Head Teachers, have pronounced judgment on the Cox-Marks report on Standards in English Schools. Their finding is that the Department of Education and Science has been Education and Science has been traduced.

Baroness Cox and Dr John Marks, of the National Council for Educational Standards, had pro-duced a report whose research showed that the examination results of grammar and secondary modern schools together were better than those of comprehensive schools. It immediately encountered bitter hostility from educational writers. Sir Keith Joseph, Education Secretary, then asked the DES statisticians to appraise the report. Subsequently, a series of leaks from the DES told the world that the Cox-Marks research had been found, by the department's experts, to be

"seriously flawed". Verbaum extracts of parts of the DES critique, selected to convey this message appeared in parts of the press, but Baroness Cox and Dr Marks were in no position to defend their research since the DES would no: give them a copy. Eventually, however, the authors managed to get a copy from a journalist less hostile to their point of view. They also received a letter from Sir Keith Joseph refusing any DES funding for their future research, but suggesting a meeting between the authors and

DES statisticians. The meeting took place in the presence of Sir Keith, and the statisticians admitted that an error of their own in appraising the report had been responsible for the doubts about the representativeness of the Cox-Marks sample. They were now reassured that the sample had been representative.

The only significant question remaining was how far class and economic circumstances were material to such research. It was agreed that the Cox-Marks report had taken account of as much evidence of this sort as was available from the DES. but that the DES ought to, and would, make more such evidence

generally available.

Thus an amicable conclusion was reached, after which Sir Keith published the agreed DES statement welcoming the pioneering work of the NCES, and accepting its statistical validity. Contrary to some reports, he said, the DES did not regard it as "seriously flawed". Where, then, had this accusation come from? Not from the chief statistician. Mr Wakefield, who pointed out that he had never used

The question is of considerable interest now that Mr Radice, writing to The Times (Dec 3) has con-demned the "blatant political pressure applied in an attempt to override the DES's careful assessment of the report" and Mr Jarvis and Mr Swallow in a further letter (Dec 6), have said that Sir Keith should speak up for his staff against its critics given the "constitutional limitation" (no irony is presumably intended)" on their freedom to respond to public criticism."

Having now obtained a copy of the leaked (if less than "careful") DES critique, I am able to explain all, and a wondrous story it is. The critique was in three parts. First, there was the statisticians' report. This, despite its own admitted statistical error, was by no means crudely hostile to the Cox-Marks research, which it recognized as pioneering work serving "a most useful purpose."

ment's own "commentary" (also six ment's own "commentary" (also six pages) by the schools branch. Though it spoke of "serious criticisms" of data and methodology, it noted the report's "stimulus to public debate" particularly since "exam results are now very much on the agenda in comparing different types of school system." But what matters is the third part, a two-page covering memorandum by Mr N.

W. Stuart of the School Branch. "Attached is the Department's commentary commissioned by the Secretary of State," he wrote. "It concludes that the research methods were flawed to the extent that the findings must be open to serious question." As for the "clusive prospect" of a final, decisive piece of research to resolve the difference between the two sides of the schools system argument, "I am driven towards the conclusion that this is a fundamental political and philo-sophical divide, with research just one of the instruments of battle."

This was "important in considering where we go next". If the NCES were refused funding, Mr Stuart wrote, the Secretary of State would "upset his political friends." But if he said was there would be " he said yes, there would be "uproar in academic circles (which, precisely, I wonder?) where there is no confidence in the NCES's pro-fessional ability to conduct statisti-

cally-based research".

There must, he thought, be a temptation to "hold the ring" and for the DES itself to commission an authoritative piece of research work in this area. He then describes, briefly, two possible models for it, adding blandly; "Whatever the, model, a good deal of further work would be needed (and I note now that at its present complement my branch does not have the manpower available to take this on) before research bodies were invited to tender for what would be an

expensive and lengthy project."

Oh. Sir Humphrey, bow your head for you have met your better! Was there ever a neater way of condemning a piece of research, unheard, behind the closed doors of Whitehall, and of putting its purpose on ice? But it was the leaked polemic of the edited condemnation of which, of course, I do not suggest that Mr Stuart himself was aware) which was the really heavy stuff, denigrating bona fide research which would have been defenceless if Sir Keith had not intervened.

Such is the officialdom to whose rescue Messrs Jarvis, Swallow and Radice gallop with, as their only ammunition, a letter from Mr Wakefield to the NCES authors, and Sir Keith Joseph's letter turning down the NCES funds application, both of which were written before the departmental retraction. They should do their nomework better.

All this has serious educational implications but it is also an example of an increasingly prevalent kind of Whitehall leak (particularly from the "social" departments, which have their own highly politicized positions) designed to frustrate any development repug-nant to received departmental

The attempted descrediting of the Cox-Marks report is one of three such incidents from the DES. It has backfired, and the authors have been able to defend themselves, but only by accident. It is, of course, the business of the journalist (with few exceptions) to publish what he can get from any source. But it is not the business of civil servants to indulge in this kind of politics. When a department has something of this sort to say, it should say it openly, provided its Minister agrees.

Paul Pickering Run from the rabbit, run, run, run

An enormous white rabbit is lurking albino leaping along the streets on among the slag heaps of south Yorkshire, having evaded the efforts odd lony-load of lettuce argue of the local constabulary and rabbit experts brought in to track him down. Buck, as he is called, is from New Zealand and is apparently rather larger than a Labrador, being four and a half feet long. He has a

nasty temper when roused.
"It's a sign", said my grandfather. "White beasts are always a portent of doom and disaster, and things going wrong in the world." Certainly if one caught sight of pink-eyed Buck starting to dig Bakerloo Line-sized burrows under one's house it would be bad luck indeed.

Buck is dangerous when cornered, and far from the well-behaved, cultured creature with a waistcoat and pocket watch, that Alice meets in Wonderland, he has a hatred of the precious Pommie attitude to rabbits as cuddly bundles of fur who will repay with affection a draughty hutch and occasional mouldy cabbage. He loathes children.

"If threatened by a stranger, Buck would first try to find a way out, to run", said his owner, Mr Arthur Butterfield. "But then, if there was nowhere left to go, he would stand and fight, biting and scratching with his teeth and claws. He is very powerful. In short, Buck is the rabbit equivalent of Moby Dick.

"He was always all right with me though", said Arthur, a former haulage contractor who took to rabbits after his business folded. "You just have to get to know him, but my wife could not get near him. He didn't like anyone he didn't know and I would never let children

play with him.

There's no way a total stranger could do anything with him, and a friend of mine got terrible scratches when we were having a look at one of his cars. His claws are half an inch long and razor sharp. If someone has

rustled him, he must have had a But sightings of the antipodean

against his being turned into enough lapin à la mourarde to feed a family of four for a week. Rawmarsh police, on whose beat

the animal had his bungalow-style hutch, do not give up easily. "Do you know that, sold as a stud animal, it could be worth £15", said an enthusiastic superintendent. Every kitten it sires is worth 50 pence, and a female rabbit is missing

One tap-room theory is that Buck is being made to sire hundreds of other potential Bucks which will be sold cut-price under very large counters in less than respectable pet shops. Another is that rabbit fighting, with two colossal antipodeans kicking, biting and gouging hell out of each other, is the coming fashion in a recession-hit area. No one can afford to keep bull terriers any more.

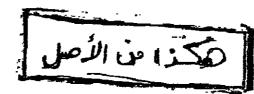
My grand-dad's terrier, a confirmed vegetarian, shows no en-thusiasm to hunt the monster. And just imagine the sharpe of admitting to the wife that one's ferrets had been gobbled up by Buck like so much fettuccine. Hare coursing would be a riot if the greyhounds

suddenly encountered him.

But while the big white Buck might bring an end to these simple northern pleasures as we know them, what does the ghostly creature signify in supernatural terms? What disaster does he foretell as we sit huddled in our homes these winter

nights while he stalks abroad?

It is no coincidence that Anthony Wedgwood Benn is trying to hop into Eric Varley's safe seat just a few miles to the south, in the peaceful town of Chesterfield, the direction in which the monster rabbit is said to be heading. For when there's a white rabbit around one can be sure that the Mad Hatter is never far away, and as Grand-dad says, the bigger the rabbit the madder the hatter.



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TIME TO SIT TIGHT

It is very tempting for Britain to changed. At last the ever-rising ments in fellow member-states pean Community. The essence Community has always been important in the British econpartners. In the past Britain has been able to do little about this except rant and rave. By behaving very badly, we have each year managed to bully or cajole and the ceiling cannot be raised our partners into giving us some without British consent. of our money back.

We had to behave badly, because the rules were loaded against us before we ever joined the Community, through a deal between France and West Germany in the mid 1960s. France got the Common Agricultural Policy as the price for opening its market to German industrial goods. The policy meant that agricultural products could be sold throughout the Community at a fixed price, protected by a common external tariff and maintained through a common fund which purchased any surplus. By a further twist, the prices of many products were fixed higher than France would have required, so as to ensure that West Germany's relatively inefficient farmers did not lose

Britain, with few, but relatively efficient, farmers, and with consumers used to cheap imported food, had little to gain from this arrangement but until

sit back and enjoy the crisis into cost of the policy has provided that it is a price worth paying which the failure of the Athens us with a lever, as well as because the Community as a summit has plunged the Euro- bringing at least some of our whole, not just Britain, needs an partners some of the way round equitable financial system and a of British complaints about the to our point of view. Others reasonable balance of expendibeside us are beginning to feel ture. There is no need to that it is too expensive, and that the expenditure pinch. In any far too high a proportion of the case the Community cannot, money spent goes on agriculture, a sector which is relatively less its members, extract from them an income equivalent to more omy than in those of most of our than one per cent of value added in all taxable transactions. Spending as it now is, the Community is about to hit its head hard against that ceiling.

> Britain wants a package of reforms including reduced ex-penditure. If Britain is not satisfied expenditure will have to be reduced anyway. So this time Britain does not need to behave badly. She can sit demure and smue, with arms folded, until her partners come up with a proposal she is willing to accept.

> That being so, suggestions that we should withhold our budget contribution or resort to sanctions against our partners are quite unnecessary and betray a misunderstanding of the situation. They would only be in order if our partners resort to breaking the rules in an attempt to ignore our demands. On this issue we can afford a policy of "no first strike".

What we should be doing now is calculating the price we can reasonably expect to charge for our eventual agreement to an increase in "own resources", and deploying our most intense and persuasive diplomacy to convince our partners - that is, now has lacked the clout to get it public opinion as well as govern-

envenom the atmosphere. On the contrary, we can afford, and we need, to mount an offensive de charme. We should draw attention.

especially, to the plight of the most innocent victims of the present crisis: the Spanish and Portuguese, who are waiting for the Community to pull itself together sufficiently to give a clear answer to their applications for membership. It is in the context of their joining, as members with a lower than average per capita GNP, that an overall increase in Community expenditure would actually make some sense. The package that includes such an increase must also include terros for their admission. Otherwise there is a real risk that Spanish attitudes to the Community, in particular, will go sour.

Spain, like Britain, has historically been ambivalent about her relationship to the European continent. In the last ten years or so she has made tremendous efforts to affirm her European identity. If now rebuffed, or kept waiting indefinitely on the doorstep, she may have second thoughts. That would have negative implications for her membership of Nato, for the prospects of defusing the Gibraltar issue (and so for Anglo-Spanish bilateral relations), and perhaps even for Spanish democracy. Avoiding it should be a high priority, for Britain and for

ANSWERING THAT FILM

Lord Reith observed in 1927 that he and his BBC colleagues had "responsibilities far heavier than had ever fallen to the lot of any other group of individuals". Even Lord Reith perhaps dropped this hyperbole in a spirit of sombre raillery, but his successors have never lost sight of the weight of responsibility that control of the media imposes. Neither have politicians, who sometimes court and sometimes resent the independence of those in charge of the means of publicity. A complex and partly unwritten code governs the relationship between government and broadreported to have proposed a new clause in that code by asking for exclusive television time to make a comment at the end of the film The Day After on ITV

on Saturday.

Reviewers who saw the film in the USA last month found it sentimental and unsubtle, but striking in dramatic force and technical effects. Mr Heseltine's desire to strike out into the field of dramatic criticism has less to do with production values than with possible political effect. Fiction does not have to be a major work of art to have political impact: Uncle Tom's fiction, however distorted he fiction.

it made people attend to a great injustice, and its influence on opinion was profound.

Mr Heseltine is acutely aware of the danger of letting the unilateralists gain the initiative in the debate over defence. The danger is real. CND is preparing itself to capitalize on fears and despondencies that the film may provoke. The Government is the public to be reminded of what is at stake from time to the film

But to seek exclusive time to George Shultz did so in the USA, but the conventions are different there, and perhaps the message implicit in such a step is has ever sought a right of

Cabin was also sentimental, but may have considered it to be. Such a precedent would harmfully trivialize ministerial statements and express lack of trust in the judgments of the broadcasting authorities and of the

The Secretary of State has the option of requesting a formal ministerial broadcast, which would so out on all channels right to respond energetically. BBC as well as ITV - and would The horrors of nuclear war are give opposition parties a right of evidence that can be turned to reply. The unwritten code does account by advocates of security not oblige the authorities to through deterrence and the accede to his request, but they search for peace through bilateral would be unlikely to refuse even negotiation, quite as relevantly where it was so plainly an as by unilateralists. It is well for excessive response. Mr Heseltine has been invited to take part in the discussion programme aftertime, as Mr Heseltine appreciated when he urged people to see the film. Wards, but such programmes rarely rise far above the bandying of slogans, and he is right to be reluctant. A minister of the put an official gloss on the film Crown never lacks means of immediately after it is broadcast making his views public, and it is risks making the film out to be an error to give the appearance more important than it is. Mr of trying to get round the conventions by seeking what would in effect be a ministerial broadcast, without right of reply for his opponents. The British different. No minister in Britain public is not so immature that it cannot be trusted to keep its television reply to a work of head over a piece of science

NEWS MANAGEMENT IN MOSCOW

men, including Marshal Nikolai Ogarkov, the Chief of Staff, was

aimed at persuading the public

in NATO countries that their

government, by proceeding with

the deployment of US missiles in

Western Europe, were wholly responsible for the Soviet depar-

ture from the Geneva talks on

intermediate nuclear forces.

Moscow was clearly sending a

disarm the West unilaterally.

encouraging them to continue

their demonstrations. Mr Georgy

Kornienko, a deputy foreign minister, denied claims by West-

ern leaders that Soviet nego-

tiators would soon return to Geneva "as if nothing had happened" and Marshal Ogar-

kov hinted that the stategic arms

talks (START) which end their

current round on Thursday are

also at risk. He also seized the

opportunity to attack the US air

raid on Syrian positions in

Lebanon, calling it "bandit

The problem for the organiz-

ers of such press conferences is

that Western correspondents are

undisciplined, and persistently

ask awkward questions. Queried

about the state of President

Andropov's health, and as to

whether he was recovering from

action".

The appearance of Soviet leaders at press conferences in Moscow is part of a more sophisticated approach to the Western media; it is not however a step towards more open government. The job of a foreign correspondent in the USSR is difficult. If he pursues the news in a manner considered normal in other countries, he risks immediate expulsion for espionage. He is obliged to obtain permission from the authorities before making any message to those who wish to trip out of the capital. Yet if he confines himself to analysing reports in the official press he may as well operate at home and save his employers the vast expense of maintaining a Mos-

cow correspondent. The Kremlin has long been distributing its own publications, translated into the major languages of the world, in the hope of influencing public opinion outside the Soviet block. Like the foreign broadcasts of Moscow Radio, however, these periodicals are so clearly propagandist in style and content that their impact is minimal. Now the Soviet leaders have discovered that if they are prepared to be photographed and interviewed by foreign correspon-dents, their views are assured more news space and attention in the West than when merely circulated in their own con-

members at the News of the World decided to censor an article. I bled. not for Sir Woodrow Wyatt as the concerned journalist and not for the NGA members who use their

with three leading Soviet spokes- for his non-appearance for 110 days. Mr Leonid Zamyatin angrily repeated the official line that the Soviet leader, who has not been seen in public since mid-August, had been suffering from a cold, but was now able to deal with the main matters of government.

Monday's press conference a serious operation, to account

While earlier press conferences, such as that held in April by the Foreign Minister and Politburo member Andrei Gromyko, were obviously presenting the views of the top party leadership, both this latest session and the September conference on the Korean airliner gave prominence to the military in the person of Marshal Orgakov. But this does not mean that the military are determining foreign policy in the absence of firm leadership by President Andropov. All three leaders at Monday's press conference are members of the party's Central Committee. Marshal Ogarkov is also First Deputy Defence Minister, the Defence Minister himself, Marshal Dimitri Ustinov, is a full member of the ruling Politburo. There is no evidence to suggest that any major divergence exists in the foreign policy aims of party leadership and military com-mand. Both are firmly united in their hostility towards the West.

I hope those who see their path to trade union triumph marked by Mr Joe Wade, of the NGA, and the square white blanks in the free press realise that the union might fail to secure a chair for itself in this game of musical chairs if free trade unionism is one day itself destroyed and the music stops.

Yours faithfully. CLAUD MORRIS.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

US policy in Central America

From the US Representative to the Organization of American States

Sir, I would like to respond to a

letter that appeared in your paper on

November 30 concerning the "grow-

ing threat in Central America". Central America is troubled. My

Government welcomes positive

European engagement in the search

for solutions to the region's prob-lems. We would welcome as well an effort by Europeans to understand

what we are trying to do and why.

deal more economic than security assistance to the region and we have

offered the nations of Central America and the Caribbean guaran-

teed duty-free access to our market

through the President's Caribbean

Second, we are encouraging all of the nations in the region to broaden

democracy and respect for human

rights which must be the keystones

to social and regional peace. We have made clear that we are troubled by abuses in El Salvador, Nonethe-

less, in the midst of turmoil, El

Salvador held an election in 1982

Marcii, 1964.

Third, we seek an environment in which nations of the area can engage

Finally, we support wholeheart-

As to Nicaragua's role in the

edly the Contadora peace process, which offers the best hope for a

basin initiative.

March, 1984.

vulnerable societies.

First, we are providing a great

Safeguarding the homebuyer

From Mr Graham Lee Sir, In all the argument about the House Buyers Bill one fact is, perhaps, being lost sight of. This is that essentially the whole business of who does conveyancing is about consumer protection.

Whatever the rights or wrongs of the so-called "monopoly" of solici-tors in conveyancing matters, the Austin Mitchell Bill is an appalling piece of drafting which, by any objective standard, will substantially and seriously reduce the protection

of the consumer - the homebuyer. What the buyer requires is the certainty that the home he is buying will belong to him, with no problems; he is not buying an insurance policy, which is all the Bill provides for.

A recent survey undertaken by MORI (whose Bob Worcester has been described by Austin Mitchell as the "best pollster in the business") for The Law Society reveals that 62 per cent of homebuyers consider the most important thing they want their solicitor to do is conduct the work thoroughly, whilst only 4 per cent think giving the cheap quote is most important.

This, together with the fact, already reported by you, that 87 per cent of recent homebuyers are satisfied with their solicitor's acrvice, demonstrates that Austin

Mitchell has got it quite wrong. A licensed conveyancer under this Bill, which provides for no qualification, training, or test of competence at all, is hardly likely to be able to produce the thorough job the homebuyer wants. House buyers beware!

Yours faithfully, GRAHAM LEE, Secretary, Professional Development Department, The Law Society, 113 Chancery Lane, WC2.

December 6.

From Mr Paul Randall

Sir, Ms Jane Bradley suggests (December 6) that the public would by protected from negligent licensed conveyancers by the virtue of their being insured on an indemnity basis, but that such insurance would only be obtained on proof of "sound practical experience". If the experience is a prerequisite of the insurance, how is it to be gained?

The title of "solicitor" is not easily come by and the cost to practitioners of their indemnity policy is far from inconsiderable. Yours faithfully, PAUL RANDALL 31 Avon Road.

Sunbury-on-Thamea, Middlesex. December 6.

The Severn barrier From Mr C. K. Haswell

Sir, The letters of Mr Richard Cottrell (November 19) and Dr Geoffrey Kellaway (November 25) relating to the crossing of the Severn estuary merit correction in the context of the two existing driven tunnel links.

The first, constructed between 1873 and 1886, was the original Severn tunnel, providing a rail link between England and Wales. It was a great feat of engineering, carried out in the foreknowledge that it was no easy task. Indeed, it remains arguably Britain's most celebrated tunnel, only second to Brunel's famous first crossing beneath the Thames. Today technical advance has made the means of tunnelling

more effective.

The second Severn tunnel, which crosses below the present bridge, is the CEGB power-cable link. My firm acted as the consulting engineers responsible for the project and I can assure Dr Kellaway that one of the most comprehensive geotechnical investigations of its

kind took place.

An extract from my paper, read to the Institution of Civil Engineers in

1973, stated: In that the tunnelling works were considered to be a difficult task from the inception of the project it is considered that, in the context of the exploratory that, in the context of the exploratory data, the correct decisions on choice of parameters were taken. Further, it is considered the methods of attack (construction) employed resulted in completion of the named successfully with due regard to the important aspect of safety.

To say, as does Mr Cottrell, that "The history of true tunnelling in the Severn grounds is not a happy one" is untenable. Further, to place the problems encountered in the construction of the CEGB tunnel in the same category as those met in the earlier tunnel is totally incorrect. A third Severn tunnel is perfectly

feasible. Yours faithfully. C. K. HASWELL Charles Haswell and Partners, Consulting Engineers, 99 Great Russell Street, WC1. November 28.

Credit where it's due

mention?

Engineers.

November 28.

Yours faithfully,

Alliance House,

12 Caxton Street, SW1.

P. J. M. PELLEREAU, Secretary,

The Association of Consulting

From the Secretary of the Association of Consulting Engineers Sir, Your front page report (November 25) about UK export performance is as cogent as ever. But is it not time that you altered your conventional examples for 'invisibles'"?

British consulting engineers have recently been credited with invisible carnings at the rate of some £565m per year, an average of £47m per month. That the UK had a net invisible surplus of £160m in October must be due in considerable part to the contribution of consultthose who are left-handed. ing engineers. Do we not deserve an occasional

guans to ease the replacement of the Unemployed Somoza regime. This was an unprecedented step by the OAS and, as part of the process, the Sandinista commandantes formally pledged that they would take measures

leading to political democracy, economic freedom, and international non-alignment. The United States welcomed these promises and consistently sought to work with the leaders of

Nicaragua, by providing economic assistance and through negotiation.
Yet, instead of good faith negotiations, instead of a verified termination of the export of subversion, instead of fair political competition through elections open to all groups, Nicaragua is characterized today by swollen military forces, pressure on those who do not support enthusiastically the regime, controls on trade union activities, persecution of the minority Miskito Indian population, censorship of the one remaining independent news-paper, closure of radio stations, disregard for religious freedom, continuing support for guerrilla subversion in neighboring countries, and the presence of some 11,000 security and other personnel from Cuba and the Soviet block.

where 80 per cent of the population voted despite threats from the guerrillas with "Vote today, die tonight". Now El Salvador has fixed Despite all of these negative developments and the unease they a date for presidential elections in engender we would welcome efforts by the Sandinista leaders to make in reforms without the fear that good their promises to the OAS. To outsiders will take advantage to this end, I wish to reaffirm to your readers, that the United States is working with the Contadora nations promote subversion and violence. Protection is needed and we are helping to provide a shield for these so help convert broad agreement on principle into reality. Sincerely.

J. W. MIDDENDORF, US Representative to the Organization of American States, As from: Department of State, region, it should be recalled that in July of 1979 the OAS cooperated with a broad segment of Nicara-Washington, DC,

is needed, particularly where the

offender is of previous good character and a store's layout

designed to encourage impulse buying has encouraged impulse shoplifting.

It is absurd to suggest that the best interests of criminal justice are exceed by executive all alleged.

served by prosecuting all alleged shoplifiers regardless of age, physical

or mental condition, and the existence of a real possibility that a mistake has been made; and stores

should not expect the public purse to

A requirement that they pay costs

pay the cost of such prosecutions.

December 1.

Prosecution by stores

From Ms Vivien Stern ···· Sir, Baroness Phillips sugge (November 24) that the Recorder's comments in the recent case where a 77-year-old woman was prosecuted for shoplifting have encouraged the notion that stores like Woolworth's do not deserve the protection of the law against theft of their goods.

This is simply nonsense. Stores, like anyone else, have the right to legal protection against theft; but shoplifting cases range from those involving organized gangs of shop-lifters to cases of muddled shoppers, often elderly, who remove goods without a clear intention to steal.

If those in the latter category are to be spared the stigma of a prosecution and court appearance for a crime they have not committed an attempt must be made to distinguish them from deliberate shoplifters.

Even where the theft is deliberate in some cases a police caution - official or informal - may be all that

Fatal statistics

From Dr Trevor Smith

Sir, In stating in your editorial today (November 25) that smoking kills 40 times as many men as road accidents you greatly underestimate the significance of road accidents as a course of premature death.

If all of the people killed or seriously injured on British roads during the 1970s were laid end to end they would stretch from London to Edinburgh and back again. In addition, for every serious injury there were three or four minor

In 1981, 5,840 people were killed, over 77,000 seriously injured, while 236,000 received minor injuries. Horrific as these figures are they still fail to reveal the true impact of road accidents as a cause of death. To appreciate this fully we must

consider not simply the number of people killed, but the age at which they die. If we assume a life expectancy of 75 years and compare the number of years of life expectancy lost from the various expectancy lost from the various causes then a more realistic picture CINCIPES.

Thus in a single year, lung cancer claimed 38,300 lives, five times as many as the 6,831 lost in road accidents. It would appear at first sight therefore that lung cancer is by the first the constant applies. far the greater problem, but in terms of loss of life expectancy there is not a great deal to choose between the two - lung cancer deprived the population of 312,000 years of life expectancy, road accidents 255,000

In Britain road accidents are by far the major killer of those under 35. In 1980, 3,280 people under the age of 35 died as a result of road accidents, while cancer of all kinds claimed 2,507 lives and diseases of the heart and circulatory system 1,299 lives.

National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, 169 Clapham Road, SW9.
November 28.

Smoking is certainly the major cause of premature death in Britain today, but road accidents come a very close second. Yours sincerely. TREVOR SMITH

97 Grieve Street Dunfermline, November 25.

Yours faithfully,

VIVIEN STERN, Director,

Nuclear metaphor

From the Right Reverend Trevor Huddleston, CR

Sir, The Minister of Defence is quoted today (feature, December 2). as saying: "... the seamless robe of deterrence exists." Whatever the force of Mr Heseltine's argument for the use of more and more hideous nuclear weapons in the name of peace, he might at least respect the susceptibilities of Christians in his use of metaphor. For us there is only one "seamless robe" of significance. It was that one taken from the crucified Christ by the soldiers with the words, "Let us not lear it but cast lots for it to see whose it shall

It is hard to think of a more blasphemous comparison than that between the seamless robe of Christ at the moment of his supreme selfgiving for the salvation of mankind and the horror of cruise and Pershing and all the other weapons

of our day.

If the minister deares an appropriate metaphor I suggest he uses that phrase from St Mark's gospel: The abomination of desolation standing where it ought not."

Yours faithfully, **†TREVOR HUDDLESTON.** House of the Resurrection, Mirfield, West Yorkshire.

Way of the Cross

From the Reverend G. Thompson

Sir, It seems to suit some cliurchmen to resurrect the dichotomy between "personal" and "public" Christianity. In particular there is a disposition to associate "individual" or "personal" faith with a Tory philosophy of individual enterprise and achievement and then conclude that only a radical social religion has One result of this is the adoption

of political socialism and the attachment of "radical" insights of the faith to give it a quasi-theologi-cal content. Thus the dichotomy is perpetuated, not by those whose emphasis is on personal faith, but by

The Methodist Church, in which I am a minister, is widely acknowam a minister, is widely acknowledged for its concern with social issues. Its founder, John Wesley, said: "Christianity is essentially a social religion and to turn it into a solitary one is to destroy in. That's a useful text for the critics of your leading article to latch on to.

However, John Wesley's social

concerns arose out of personal faith. "You have nothing to do but save souls", he said. That, he believed, was man's fundamental need. This conviction arose out of the sense that his own soul needed saving. It was his personal experience of salvation which came to him on May 24, 1738, at Aldersgate Street which proved to be the motivation of his entire ministry.

The societies he formed were not "pressure groups" for social action, but the means whereby personal faith was nurtured to maturity. If there is one lesson to be learnt from the eighteenth century evangelical revival and social reformation it is that public faith springs from personal faith.

if it was true then, when social conditions called for radical measures, is it not true today? Yours faithfully,

G. THOMPSON BRAKE Superintendent Minister, The Methodist Church, London (liford) Circuit, 19 Bethell Avenue, Uford, November 24.

Hope for young

From Mr Ray Hurst Sir, Although Francis Pym (feature, December 1) is justified in referring to the "economically wasteful" and "humanly damaging" effects of unemployment, it is the "socially divisive" aspects of the problem which he emphasised which must be

of the greatest concern. Unemployed young people in particular, especially those experiencing long-term unemployment, react to their despairing situation by becoming apathetic and complacent and allowing themselves to drift into a sense of total hopelessness. This is not generally reflected by spontaneous and aggressive anti-social behaviour on the streets (although it is important not to ignore the rise in the number of burglaries and the relatively large number of those aged under 24 among those whose crime

is detected).

Although the new Youth Training
Scheme has been generally welcomed and supported by those involved in assisting unemployed young people, the fact should not be ignored that there are currently over 400,000 unemployed teenagers aged 18/19 years who are not eligible for entry to the scheme, Also, the published unemployment statistics do not divulge the total number of se waiting to enter their first real job. If those in Government special schemes are included, the numbers currently in this category must be about 750,000, at least.

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Society still attaches a stigma to long-term unemployment. In the eyes of too many employers the longer a person is unemployed the more unemployable they become. The Government must make strenuous efforts to provide more paid employment for those young people still waiting for their first oppor-

tunity of employment.
The recent reluctant decision of the Manpower Services Commission, because of financial constraints, to curtail recruitment to the Community Programme, a much-needed scheme for the long-term unemployed, is to be deplored. The allocation of more resources to schemes of this kind should not be based solely on grounds of com-passion but because it would be investment in sound common sense, considering the alternatives.

Yours faithfully, RAY HURST, Honorary Secretary, The Institute of Careers Officers, Careers Office,

and perhaps damages when such cases are lost, combined with trenchant public comments of the kind made by the Recorder in this case, might lead to their adopting more reisonable and sensitive Fry Street, Middlesbrough, Cleveland December 6. From Mr I. J. Woolf

Sir, In America they talk about "getting back to work". In Britain we talk about "creating jobs".

is there a moral in here somewhere? Yours sincerely, I. J. WOOLF, Special Forces Club, 8 Herbert Crescent, SW1. December 6.

Restriction on parole

From Sir David Davenport-Handley Sir, As an admirer of the work of Dr Julian Candy I was sad to see that he had found it necessary to resign from the Parole Board, of which I

am's member.

He says in his letter to you of November 22 that his views are shared in whole or in part by very many of his colleagues". I am not

one of them.

I strongly believe that the Home Secretary of the day had the right to change the parole restrictions. He is exercising a statutory discretion and if it is a political decision that also is his right, and indeed duty, reflecting as it does the clear mandate received in June to provide greater protection for the public.
Of course, one would expect all

cases to be referred to the board, as in the past, and not, as suggested by Lord Hunt in his letter (November 30) only those selected by the Home

Yours faithfully, DAVID DAVENPORT-HANDLEY, Clipsham Hall. Rutland.

Winged chariot

From Dr W. I. Pumphrey Sir, I would like to thank your many correspondents for their replies to my letter (November 12) on minimum time intervals and for their wide-ranging observation of areas where there may be intervals even smaller than I had envisaged. I was especially interested in the

I was especially interested in the negative time concept proposed by Mr Christopher Fagg (November 17) since the possible existence of such time intervals had escaped my notice. He is entirely correct, of course. They do exist and I now realize that he has formalized a saying of my mother that "someone had picked her up before she had fallen down", although she was referring not to buses moving slightly faster than the speed of thought but to our local grocer, who invariably wrote to her about the state of her account when she was still debating the size of her next

It seems to me entirely appropriate to call the basic unit of time a "Hume", as proposed by Mr Alpin (November 21) since it is clear that a 'Hume" can be negative as well as positive. I only wish I had had a "Hume" by me in my university days, when I invariably had to echo the words of Hobart Brown, Backward, turn backward, O time in your flight and tell me just one thing I studied last night". Yours faithfully,

W. I. PUMPHREY. 28 Fitzwilliam House, The Little Green, Richmond, Surrey. December 1.

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trolled media.

From Mr Claud Morris Sir, Some years ago, in a now forgotten national print dispute, I resigned the chairmanship of the Welsh Newspaper Proprietors' Association rather than lock out my NGA staff and be involved in one of those games of musical chairs that

NGA's right to work with me as a temporary muscle to show in this

NGA dispute

have destroyed many a free news-In that instance I defended the

journalist to bring out a paper when we had no local quarrel. Among those who supported my stand at I hope those who see the support of the s that time were people as diverse as

late Lord Kemsley. When, on December 4, NGA News of the World, but for some instance not contempt of court, but

15a Lowndes Street, SW1. December 15.



COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE Mangaret Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an andience of The

The Queen, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Tank Regiment, honoured the Officers of the Regiment with her presence at dinner this evening at Merchant Taylors' Hall. Her Majesty was received on mival by Major-General Roy ixon (Representaive Colonel ommandant), Major-General I. H. aker (Colonel Commandant) and the Colonel Commandant and the Colonel Colon

(Colonel Commandant) and General R. M. Jerram The Duchess of Grafton, Sir /illiam Heseletine and Major

Hugh Lindsay were in attendance.
Th Princess Anne, Mrs Mark
Phillips, Patron of the Royal
Tournament, was present this
evening at a Reception at St James 5 Palace to launch the Royal Tournament of 1984 (Chairman, Major-General James Eyre). The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Commandant-in-Chief, St John Ambulance and Nursing Cadets, and Captain Mark Phillips,

Cadets, and Captain Mark Phillips, this evening attended the St John Gala Ball at the Inter-Continental Hotel, London, W.1. The Countess of Lichfield was in

Luncheons

aw Society The president of the Law Society, Mr Christopher Hewetson, was host at a luncheon at 60 Carey Street, esterday. Among those present:

estimul Mmittee Manage he Hon Anthony Cayzer, Chair-ian of the Trustees of the National laritime Museum, was host at the augural luncheon for the Fina chibition committee of honour at recowich yesterday. This comtree has been set up in support of Maritime Finland Exhibition ing held at the National Maritime

Among those present were:
Ir like Pasthon, the Finnish Ambanador,
Earl of Gowrie, Minister for the Arts, Dr "I-Filk Janson, director-owerst, Finnish aritime Annihatratim. Mr Kalervo iliala, Sir Hugh Caston, Mr Erski Arts, Velstager Semonas". Professor W Mead,

Reception

The Diplomatic Service Wives Association and Diplomatic Neighbours held their annual reception for the ladies of the Diplomatic The guests were received by Lady
Howe, Honorary President of the
Diplomatic Service Wives Associ-Diplomatic Service Wives Associ-ation, Lady Acland, president, Mrs Jane Reid, chairman, and Mrs June Summerhayes, Chairman of Diplo-matic Neighbours. The guests of honour were Lady Richards, Mrs Malcoin Rificind, Mrs Richard Luce and Mrs Raymond Whitney.

Weavers' Company:

The Lord Mayor, Mr Alderman and Sheriff R. C. L. Charvet and Mr Sheriff R. C. A. FitzGerald, were present on Monday night at the livery dinner of the Weavar's Company held at Vintners' Hall and were received with the other guests by the Upper Bailiff, Mr Stephen D. Graves, and other officers of the company. The Lord Mayor replied to the civic toast proposed by the Upper Bailiff. The toast of the guests was proposed by the Upper Warden, Mr J. G. Y. Radcliffe, and the response was made by the the response was made by the

The musical entertainment after dinner was provided by Janiculum. Counting House

Sir Peter Macadam, President of the Hispanic and Luso Brazilian
Council, was host at a dinner given
last night at the Hyde Park Hotel in
honour of Ambasanders and Heads
of Mission of Latin America, Spain
and Bertrael. The most of header and Portugal. The guest of honour was Earl Jellicoe, Chairman of the British Overnors Trade Board.

at the Duminion Theatre, London WI. today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Honorary Colonel, The London Scouish, upon relinquishing his appointment 22 Colonel of the Resonant, Colonel J. A. D. Anderson also

Colonel J. A. D. Anderson also had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon assuming his appointment as Colonel of The London Scottish Regiment.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, a Master of the Middle Temple, was pleased to dine with her fellow Benchers at the Middle Temple this evening.

The Lady Grimthoroe and Sir Temple this evening.

The Lady Grimthorpe and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
December 7: The Prince of Wales
arrived at Newcastle upon Tyne
Station in the Royal Train this His Royal Highness subsequently toured and opened Moorside Community School.

Community School.

The Prince of Wales, President, the Wildfowl Trust, this afternoon visited Washington Waterfowl Park, Washington, Sunderland.

His Royal Highness, Honorary Commodore, Her Majesty's Coast-guard, later opened H.M. Coast-guard's Maritime Rescue Co-ordinative Sub-Contrast Typesmouth.

nation Sub-Centre at Tynemouth. The Prince of Wales, attended by Major David Bromhead, returned to London in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Prince of Wales and The The Counters of Lichfield was in attendance.

TLARENCE HOUSE

Transport of Wales, Patron of the Welsh National Opera, this evening attended a performance of Carmen given by the Welsh National Opera

Committee of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce entertained Mr Norman Fowler,

Secretary of State for Social Services, at dinner last night at the

Cafe Royal, Mr J. G. Ackers was in

Lord Trussess of the British Museum, gave a dinner last night at the British Museum is honour of Lord

Hartwell, on the occasion of the

inauguration of the Pamela Hartwell Recom.

Charterhouse Founder's Day dinner

the chair.

British Museum

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Sir Oliver Chesterton.

Service dinner

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Association of Reliable Chambers of Birthdays today The Econ

Mr Sammy Davis, Jr, 58; Lord Diplock, 76; Mr Lucian Freed, CH, 61; Mr James Galway, 44; Mr Maurice Green, 77; Lord Prys-Davies, 60; Sir Arthur Rymill, 76; Mr Maximilian Schell, 53; Dr Sir Alan Stewart, 66; Sir John Storrar, 92; Mr Michael Unger, 40; Sir William Wood, 67.

Mrs George West, Major David rombead and Mr Victor Chapman

Mrs George West, Major David Bromhead and Mr Victor Chapman were in streedings.

The Princess of Wales this morning visited The Queen Elizabeth Il Silver Jubilee Activities Centre, Burseldon, Hampshire.

Her Royal Highness, attended by Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith and Lieutenan-Commander.

Eberle, RN, travelled in an aircraft

December 7: The Duke of Gloucester, as President this afternoon attended the Annual

General Meeting of the Royal Smithfield Club at Earls Court Exhibition Centre, London Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
December 7: The Duke of Kent, as
President of the Football Association, today attended the 100th
Association Football Match

between the Universities of Oxfor

and Cumbridge at Wembley Sta

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Eric Price Holmes will be held

A service of thanksgiving for th

life of Mr Peter Arne will be held at St Paul's, Covent Garden, at noon

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KENSINGTON PALACE

of The Queen's Flight.

YORK HOUSE

Latest wills Mr Frank Henry Biddle, of Eppins Esacz, left estate valued £1,018,025 net.

Forthcoming marriages Mr. J. Palmer

Hartwell Reson.
Others present included:
The Countess of Birhantesse, Lore welderdeld, Baroness Birk, Lord Windlestann, Ber Hon Christopher, Lemonx-Boyel, the Hon Birk Marten, the Hon Mrs Hone Philipps, Sir Martyn Beckelt, Sir Arthur Drew, Sir Francis Sandilanda, Sir Ian Trethowast, Ir David Wilson (director of the ministum), Mir K B Cardiner, Mr Jonathon Gestelant, In the Counter of the Count The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mr and Mrs William Palmer, and Laure, daughter of the Earl of Minto and Lady Caroline Ogilvy. Mr J. C. Colos

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mrs Jean Coke

was held last night at Charterhouse. The speakers were the Master of Charterhouse, Mr Oliver Van Oss, the headmaster, Mr Peter Attenand the late Mr Charles Coke, of Nottingham, and Jayne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Elkins, of borough, Sir George Labouchere and Mr H. Boyd-Carpenter. The Coningsby Club entertained Viscount Whitelaw, CH, at dinner last night at the Cariton Club. Mr Andrew Mitchell presided. Mr P. H. R. Coldatres and Miles A. N. Perry

The engagement is announced between Benedict, second son of Patrick Coldstream, of Islington, London, and Jennifer Rowntree, of Middleton Stoney, Oxfordshire, and Alison, only daughter of Norma Perry, of Oxford, and the Inte Tony City Livery Club
The Lord Mayor and Sir John Donaldson, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, were present at the annual dinner of the City Livery Club held last night at Guidhall. Mr Jack Neary, accompanied by Mrs Neary, presided

Perry. Mr J. Des and Miss J. S. B. Carrie

and the other speakers were the Lord Mayor, the President of Sion between John, only son of Manchester, College, Sir Monty Finniston, Mr Mrs N. Dezn, of Manchester, Alderman David Rouse-Ham and Languages and Injustic duranter of Mr and Mrs J. M. B. Currie, of Kensington, London.

Sir Oliver Chesterton.

Others present included:
Lerd Carractic the Admiral President of the Réval Navel College Grenvich and Lady Casels. He Recorded of London and Lady Media. Lady Novich and Lady Media. Lady Novich Sir He Recorder of London, and Lady Media. Lady Novich Sir Kenneth and Lady Fluniston. Lady Novich. Sir Kenneth and Lady Cork. Sir William and Lady Shankland. Sir Charles and Lady Cork. Sir William and Lady Shankland. Sir Charles and Lady Cork. Sir William and Lady Shankland. Sir Charles and Lady Cork. Sir William and Lady Shankland. Sir Charles and Lady Cork. Sir William and Lady Shankland. Sir Charles and Lady Cork. Sir William and Lady Shankland. Sir Charles and Administrators and Dr. L. W. G. Tust. The Community of Charles and Administrators and Dr. L. W. G. Tust. Chr. Communication of the Cart of the Cay of London. The Master of the Work of the Cay of Edinburgh, the Master of the Cart of the Cay of Edinburgh, the Master of the Cart of the Cay of Charles of the Ladded Warner Community. The Master of the Edited Converts of the Trades House of the Edited Converts of the Trades House of the Edited Converts. Tothoctor Place Masters' and Totacco Electory, Frofficers' and Shifters and Harchands' Community. Company and Their Indian. Carporation of London and Endr Indian. The forthcoming marriage is announced from Cambridge between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs Alan Heap, and Hilary Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs Winfield Chislett, of The Fort St Coorge In England, Cambridge.

Mr R. M. Kemp and Min M. E. Aldhous

The engagement is announced between Richard Mark, only son of Mr and Mrs L. Kemp, of Dulwich, and Margaret Elizabeth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. R. Aldhous, of Bath. Mr S. Kessony and Mins R. A. McClala

The annual dinner of the Leicester-shire and Derbyshire (Prince Albert's Own) Yeomanry was held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club. Colonel P. T. S. Bowlby The engagement is announced between Scott, son of Mr and Mrs D. Kenney, of Atlanta, Georgia, and Rebbeca, eldest daughter of the Rev F. M. and Mrs McClain, of Winnerka, Illinois.

Say cheese: Mr Neville Brigginshaw, aged 92, an In-pensioner at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, catting the first of a selection of cheeses presented to the hospital by the English Country Cheese Council yesterday, assisted by (from left) Mr Albert Green, Master cook; Debby Hulme, the National Dairy Queen; and General Sir Robert Ford, governor of the hospital (Photograph: Suresh Karadia).

Church news

Appointments
The Bishow The Bishop of Portsmouth, the Rt Rev Ronald Gordon, to be chief of staff to the Archbishop of Canterbury at Lambeth Palace, from next May, in succession to the Right Rev Hoss Hook.

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The Raw K A Badley, Vicar of St Peter's. Southese, diocese of Portmouth, to be Vicar of St Alban's, Connor, same diocese. The Right Rev J G H Balen, formerly liminop of Houstong, to be assistant Baleng, diocese of Collidora.

The Rev D I Barnes, further education project officer diocese of London, to be preselve-charge of Holy Trinity, Southell, same diocese. print in-Charge of Holy Trinsy, nonmam, astro discrete.

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The engagement is announced between Nicholas, younger son of Dr and Mrs James Mann, of Dulwich, and Katharine, younger danghter of the late Mr David Prys Jones and of Mrs Prys Jones, of Crowley.

The engagement is announced between Gregory, youngest son of Mr Bertram Music and the lain line

Music, and Candida, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs Arnold

The engagement is announced between Anastasios, younger son of Mr and Mrs T. Spaias, of Kyptrissias, Greece, and Judy, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter D. Smith, currently of Trearddur Bay, Anglesey, North Wales.

The engagement is announced between Mark Andrew Haig, elde

son of Mr and Mrs Prederick Stimpfig, of Wilmslow, Cheshire,

and Clemency Diana Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Wethered, of Northead Common, Oxfordshire.

Mr M. Williams and Miss J. Buckwell The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs J. M. Williams, of Budock, Cornwall,

The marriage took place on Wednesday, December 7, in the private chapel at Vayaol Hall, Bangor, Gwynedd, between Mr Denis O'Neil, eldest son of the late Mr Lestie O'Neil and of Mrs O'Neil, of Control of Mrs O'Neil, and Missey Australia and Missey Mrs.

of Sydney, Australia, and Miss Charlotte Tennant, daughter of Mr Andrew Tennant, of Muiresk, Aberdeenshire, and Mrs Oliver Steel, of Winterbourne Holi, Newbury, Berkshire.

Mr N. S. Mann and Miss E. B. Jones

and Miles C. M. Brace

Mr A. Spales and Miss J. Smith

Mr M. A. H. Stimplig and Mim C. D. E. Wetle

Marriage

Mr D. J. P. O'Nell

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The Rev A B Morton, acting orient-in-charge of Stanton Prior and Marisbury, and formerly Chaplain and eccretary of Pertis College, Both, discose of Bath and Wells, to be Vicar of Melling with Tainarn, discose of Engillature,

ciocase of Blackhure.

The Bay G Murret, priest in charge of 6t Millers's diocese of Varis, to be vicer of fulfright releth, diocese of Carliste.

The Ray K J Princhard, Vicer of St John the Evapelist, Weston, Runcorn, diocese of Chaster, to be Vicar of St. John the Beatist. Grant Meste, wirral, asme diocese.

The Rev B Selvey, Vicar of Cirveleys and general secretary of the Soard for Mission and Unity, discess of Backborn, to be chapment of the Board for Mission and Unity, same discess. The Rev M J Sheffled, curate of St George's, Waterlooville, diocese of Portsmooth, to be curate of Holy Trinsity

OBITUARY

MURIEL ST CLARE BYRNE Editor of 'The Lisle Letters'

Miss Muriel St Clare Byrne, OBE, FSA, who died on December 2 at the age of 88, was a writer and, for over 30 years, lecturer at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art as well as being an extra-mural university lecturer. But she will be best remembered for massive edition of The Lisle Letters, which were published after almost 50 years work on them on her part, in 1981.

The Lisle Letters were the private and public correspon-dent of Arthur Plantagenet. Lord Lisle, who was Lord Deputy of Calais from 1533 to 1540, and as such provide rich insights into the world of insigns into the world of intrigue surrounding the Court of Henry VIII as well as retailing a wealth of domestic detail and tittle-tattle which contributes much to our knowedge of the life of the era.

the light of day in Miss Byrne's edition, to her remarkable labours. She herself regarded them as "the lost moment that

was Tudor England" Born in May 1895 Muriel St Clare Byrne went to school in Liverpool and took her degree at Somerville College, Oxford. After the First World War, during the latter stages of which she was an Army Education lecturer at Rouen, she was an Extension Lecturer for nearly 20 years at Oxford and London Universities, From 1923 to 1955 she was a lecturer at

RADA She also wrote many popular works on historical and literary subjects and her Elizabethan ife in Town and Country (1925) went through eight editions and was widely translated. The Elizabethan Home (1925), The Elizabethan Zoo (1926) and a selection of the letters of Henry VIII which she edited, were also popular.

But what was to become the central preoccupation of her life gripped her from 1932 when she read her first Lisle letter among the 18 volumes of 'State Papers 3' at the Public Records Office,

where she had been researching for her Henry VIII letters. As she was to say in later years, she arranged the rest of her life round the task of bringing the letters, a few of which had been published in Victorian times, to the light of

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day as a substantial collection. At first she had CUP in mind as a publisher but with slow progress only, being made, an autobiography Common or Garden Child which she had published with Faber, turned her thoughts towards that firm, where T. S. Eliot, then a director, encouraged her. In the upshot the task proved too They owed their survival to gigantic even for his, and the fact that they were impounded on the arrest of Lord Lisle in 1540, and their seeing across the Atlantic where it was eventually published by the Chicago Press.

Vast though the edition was, it was still a selection, compris-ing 1,700 of the 3,000 surviving letters. But it did shed light on a number of interesting problems, in particular solving the tiddle of the downfall of Cromwell whose eclipse, so the letters revealed, stemmed directly from his own attempt to discredit Lisle on a charge of treason, he being overwhelmed in the furore generated by

The letters must take their place alongside the Paston Letters as irradiating their period much as that collection did for the late Middle Ages.

Besides her many books Miss Byrne also wrote, with her friend Dorothy L. Sayers, a play, Busman's Honeymoon. She was appointed ORE in 1955 was appointed OBE in 1955 and elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries in 1964.

MR DIGBY MORTON

age of 77, was a leading fashion designer who made his mark in the 1930s with his traditionally tailored clothes, and who continued to be influential during and after the Second World War.

He was a designer who profited from austerity. His ean, economic tweed suits were surviving symbols of elegance and style in the Loudon of the Blitz. A famous Cecil Beaton photograph of 1941 showed the Temple.

Dublin in fine art and architecture, and the architectural

By 1934 he was featured in Vogue as an important British design influence, along with Norman Hartnell, Victor Stiebel and Charles Creed. in 1939, responding to the

Digby Morton, who died in sombre mood of the times, he London on December 5 at the opened a ready-to-wear department, and saw his tailor-mades become the fashion uniform of the war years. He himself designed a WVS uniform for Lady Reading in 1939. In 1943, as a member of the Incorporated Society of Fashion Designers, he found himself designing Utility clothing, to which his uncluttered style was well suited. Dior's New Look of 1947 sounded the all-clear for a return to a different mood of essential Digby Morton suit femininity and romance. In against the bombed ruins of the 1953 Digby Morton went to

work in the United States, Henry Digby Morton was where he brought his own born in Ireland on November standards of tailoring to the 27, 1906. He was trained in Lady Hathaway line of women's He returned to this country

principles of tailoring and in 1957, and during the fashion cutting were hallmarks of his explosion of the 1960s he style. He worked for the couture worked as a designer for the house of Lachasse, and set up mass manufacture house of on his own in 1930 during the Reldan. He later retired to the decline of Paris couture in the Cayman Islands, where he was able to pursue his interests in painting, and was active in the Visual Arts Society.

Digby Morton married in 1936 Phyllis Panting, Editor of Woman and Beauty, who survives him.

DR JAMES AITKEN

December 3, was one of the most talented chess amateurs whom Scotland ever produced. He was born in Scotland on October 27, 1908. Originally a historian by profession he graduated in that subject at Aberdeen University, going on to gain his doctorate at Oxford with a thesis on the presentation of George Buchanan before the Spanish Inquisition in the 18th century. Buchanan, he argued, achieved the remarkable feat of

picture as primarily of Ameri-When the Second World War Copley painted the picture in New York in 1771, where he had gone from Boston to make his fortune. The sitter, Margaret Gage, was the American-born

wife of Sir Thomas Gage, who was Commander-in-Chief of the British forces in America and later Governor of Massachu-setts from 1774-1775. The picture is a pendant to the portrait of Sir Thomas Gage painted in 1768-69. It left the Gage family before the last war and turned up on the New York market in 1971 when it sold for

John Copley's "Portrait of Mrs Thomas Gage"

Masterpiece to be

sold by tender

Agnew's, the Bond Street returns to London for exhi-

dealers, are experimenting with bition at Agnew's from Feb-a new way of selling a master-piece by inviting interested submitted to Agnew's by noon

on February 24.

can interest

The picture will need an export licence before it can leave the country. Mr Evelyn

Joll, chairman of Agnew's, said

yesterday that the firm had held

discussions on the matter and

come to the conclusion that the

authorities were likely to see the

a new way of selling a master-

museums and collectors to

tender for John Singleton Copley's "Portrait of Mrs Thomas Gage". Copley is a great American painter of the

eighteenth century whose career

began in America and flowered in London. Nowadays it is his

early American portraits that

are the real moneyspinners. Mrs Gage is one.

It is being insured for £1m and, in the present buoyant

market for American art, could eventually sell for several

Agnew's are acting on behalf of the present Viscount Gage.

The painting was commissioned in 1771 and has descended in

million pounds.

\$3,250,000.

\$210,000; it now belongs to the Paul Mellon collection of British art at Yale. That price was established before the recent boom in American

picture prices. The highest auction price on record for an American painting is sain in her audiences for her suniquely intimate, sultry style to have been sold privately for

Dr James Macrae Aitken, chess-player, playing a great who died in Cheltenham on deal both nationally and internationally. He won the Scottish Championship 10 times and represented Scotland, for most of his life on a high board, in the Chess Olympiads. At Stockholm in 1937 he obtained 32.4 per cent on top board, and achieved fame by

outarguing the Spanish Inquisi-tors and thus escaping from their clutches.

came Aitken joined the codebreakers at Bletchley Park and decided to remain at that work in the Foreign Office after the war. He retired some 10 years ago, at the age of 65.

Meanwhile he had also temperament with a very enjoyed a successful career as a pleasant sense of humour.

38.9 per cent on 6th board at Skopje in 1972. As a player he had a fine sense of strategy but was probably not deep enough ever to be of real master class. As a

beating the well-known Swedish

grandmaster, Gideon Stahlberg.

He had an excellent result at Munich, 1958 where he scored

67.6 per cent on second board.

Increasing years inevitably brought a decline in his results:

28.1 per cent on second board at

Tel Aviv. 1964 was followed by

MLLE LUCIENNE BOYER

Lucienne Boyer, the French cabaret singer who became a bousehold name to a generation of devotees through the recording of her song "Parlez-moi "Parlez-moi d'amour" which d'amour", died in Paris on projected her to national fame.

December 6. She was 80. A lissom, sensual brunette, Mile Boyer dominated the

cabaret ethos of Montparnasse and Montmartre in the 1930s.

She had been working in cabaret from the age of 16 and soon became well known to a Parisian clientele, but it was "Parlez-moi d'amour" which

She never repeated quite this scale of popularity in subsequent recordings, though "Un Amour comme le nôtre" had its success and "Mon P'tit Kaki" enjoyed a vogue among French troops during the Phoney War



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Space shuttle tests may invalidate ear theory

Science report

A Nobel prize-winning theory about the physiology of the inner car was shaken on Tuesday by a test conducted Thesday by a test conducted by scientists aboard the space shuttle Columbia. The dis-covery about the inner ear study was a sidelight to research into the transfer issue of the human body's adap-

of the human body's adap-nation to space. The finding, which came in the flickering of a crew member's eye, was made as the Columbia was in its eighth day of flight. When warm at-and then cold air were injected into the ears of Dr Ulf Merbold, the first European crewman on the shuttle, his eyes flicked in the direction of the source of the changed the source of the changed temperature. They should not have done so in space, if the theory that explains why a standard ear-problem test

The theory that is now being disputed was the basic expla-nation for the effectiveness of a common clinical test used he diagnosing the dizzinessi caused by a malfunctioning inner ear. In the test, the doctor applies warm water to one ear and then cool water to the other ear and observes eye movements that indican the inner ear's response. People with the malfunction terri not

the designer of the experiment, explained that the theory about the response, known as the Barany effect, held that the thermal etionius created convective current in the fluid of the inner ear's semicircular canal. These currents were believed to make the body think it was moving in one direction or another, thus causing the ear's balance trolling vestibular organs to react accordingly. If they did not, doctors took this as a sign that defects in the organs were probably responsible for the boat of discusses.

The reason the spacelab scientist's eyes should not have flicked if the theory was correct is that in the weight-lessness of space there should be no thermal convection; Dr Robert Barany of Swe

den developed the hypothesis in 1906 and was rewarded with the Nobel prize in medicine and physiology in 1914. The theory had been widely accept-Dr von Busingsries empla-sized that the new findings did-not question the effectiveness of these clinical tests, only the

explanation of why they work. Source: New York Times

the family where its identity and importance were long lost sight of until the recent resurgence of scholarly interest in the American school. It comes from the important collection of pictures at Firle Place in Sussex, the family home. The sale of the picture is for the purpose of establishing a resistance. maintenance fund for the house and follows the death of the sixth Viscount in 1982. The painting is to be exibited in the United States for the first time from January 17 to 29 at the National Academy of Design in New York, It then

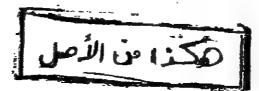
Latest appointments Latest appointments include:
Mr Dunid Elliot, Deputy Chief
Constable of Greater Manchester to
be Chief Constable of Devon and
Cornwall, its succession to Mr

Contwalt, in succession to the David East.

Mr N. A. C. Bell, aged 45, until recently Finance Director of Plessey Telecommunications. Lat, no be finance director at under-secretary level of the Royal Ordnance Pactories Organization.

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Mark Henderson's lighting is

the element that most attracts attention to itself during Conso

Trobar and stays most vividly in the mind afterwards. With its

soft glow picking out the bodies (or sometimes only the faces) of the dancers, its patches of

shadow, its continual shifting

and changing, it is a typical London Contemporary Dance Theatre lighting plot. Somewhere among all that discreet shifting light there is a

ballet trying to get out - but not

trying very hard. It has music described puzzlingly as "based on arrangements by Martin Best and realized by Barrington

Pheloung". Six players each use

from two to four different instruments, including such historic ratities as nackers,

rebec, fidele, rota and oud.

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Not trying too hard choreography alike, as a mod-ern celebration of the music and as remarkable as ever (when as remarkable as ever (when Peter Mumford's lighting will let you see it). The dancer ideas of twelfth century troubadors; and the emphasis in that phrase has to be on contemporbecomes both bird and cellist while maintaining a fascination ary, because the poems are interpreted through modern eyes, with little or no sense of their historical context. flow of musically phrased

Giraudeau's Cuckoo, too, is Fair enough, but it does give a still painfully sad In this revival general impression of William Morris wallpapers.

Still painfully sad In this revival general impression of William Giraudeau is way ahead of everyone else, except momentum of the still painfully sad In this revival general impression of William Giraudeau is way ahead of everyone else, except momentum of the still painfully sad In this revival everyone else, except momentarily Lauren Potter, who replaced Linda Gibbs

Anca Frankenhaeuser and Patrick Harding-Irmer, the one At Covent Garden on Monconcession to courtly love.
Christopher Bannerman's choreography is notable most for its energy and jollity. A duet for Anita Griffin and Michael day, David Wall danced Apollo for the first time. Both in looks and in technique, he would have been better-suited to the waking young god earlier in his career, but he is a fine enough artist to overcome that, if only somebody can teach him the phrasing and emphasis to make the dances mean something.

Raymonda, too, has mostly failed to come to life, despite of the various cast changes, except for one performance that paired Antoinette Sibley and Rudolf danced with more bravura in the past, but they know what the style is supposed to be.

John Percival



Nigel Douglas in From the House of the Dead

Opera

Restored to splendour

From the House of the Dead

Dominion

Back for a week in the huge but serviceable barn of the Dominion Theatre, Welsh National Opera provide in their opening production an experience of such chilling power, of such musical and dramatic cogency, that one wonders what on earth London's opera companies are up to with their French Fripperies and star vehicles when there are sill Janacek operas which are not intheir repertoires.

From the House of the Dead, Janacek's own adaptation of Dostoyevsky, was left not quite complete when he died; his pupils finished it but also entimentalized it. It has taken time to restore it to its intended And splendid it most strange-

is, in spite of its acutely depressing setting and stroy, for Janacek's genius was to point beyond the confines of the unutterably dreary prison camp (in Maria Bjornson's grey, rambling setting, a broken-

an abandoned archeaological

Freedom, as the relentless tread of the prisoners passed the closing bars of David Pountney's production emphasises, is hard to see in this

But there is still the possibility of story-telling, of myth, and it is these episodes with which Janacek gives rhythm and meaning to the piece.

In these stories, which become the focus of the nonaction (the real event, Luka's death, is a side event during a story), the WNO singers are superb: Donald Maxwell, towering over the final act as Shishkov, with Ralph Mason's wily Cherevin at his side - the glimpses of innocence in his story are painful because so remote; Nigel Douglas's sharply projected Shapkin, hysterical with laughter at the remem-brance of his ears neatly pulled off: Graham Clark's manic, demented Skuratov, incisively

As Luka Kuzmich, John

Theatre

down structure, hastily strapped Mitchinson lumbers over the together with barbed wire, like stage with authority, Robert stage with authority; Robert Carpenter Turner as the noble dig, to the glimmer of freedon Petrovich is more reserved: we only glimpse his brutal treatment in the bowels of this microcosm of hell.

Alongside the stories are the Easter Day plays, crudely staged on the raise platform which serves Pountney for the assembly of the officers and (his one major gloss on he text) the quasi-Last Supper of the

visitors. Superbly lit by Chris Ellis, the act interludes flash their cameos of prison life at us, while some of Janacek's paradocically most colourful orchestral inspirations flash past, too.

High, whining clarinets after Luka's death; passing visions of tenderness in the strings; the brazen march of the officers; the biting wrong-note Strauss waltz-the level of inspiration here is overwhelming, and is fully realizsed under Richard Armstrong's direction. An evening of major importance - and, alone of the operas on this tour, it will be repeated, on Friday.

Nicholas Kenyon

Television Misty intimacy

It is meant, music and to play the role he created last

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Those who send out stage with tympani for the habanera, classics through the small screen the final scene, with the lovers bear a big responsibility: they kneeling side by side to face have it in their power either to lure new audiences into the heatre, or to drive them even further away. Having administered a massive dose of aversion therapy with The Orestein, Channel 4 have now redeemed themselves with a splendid commercial for Bizet, Peter

Brook and the Bouffes du Nord. In the stage version of The Tragedy of Carmen the audi-ence sit with their feet in the sand of the arena while the 15piece orchestra play discreetly in the background; four singers, two actors, no chorus. In the film version, with the assistance of Ingmar Bergman's regular director of photography, the events take place in an atmos-phere of misty intimacy. We sense rather than see the bull ring, the har room, the bandits' lair, while the protagonists fight

From the opening shot of a kneeling hooded figure in the middle of a symbolic waste, everything conspires to re-inforce a sence of smouldering inevitability. The original plot has been both pared down and turned inside-out, with some macabre embellishments; the sinewy new score has been given an extra whiff of danger,



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their fate and the fatal blow seeming to descend from behind them both, suggests divine retribution rather than mere human jealousy.

Ballet

Except for a money duet for

Small, in which he repeatedly

bounces over her, and ends up

leap-frogging several dancers at once, is the most attractive

invention in a work that has

more liveliness than Banner-

man's earlier productions.

Canso Irobar had its first

London performance at Sadler's

Wella on Tuesday night together with London Contem-

porary's first performance of Carnival, by Siobhan Davies to

Saint-Saens's music. Philippe

Giraudeau has returned as guest

This Carmen, played by Hélène Delavault, is like a serpent with her prey, dominating her handsome lovers with the sheer force of her imperious sensuality. How will the other two *Carmens* compare? The rest of this triology should be fascinating. Incidentaly, I cannot remember a more successful solution to the age-old problem of operatic dubbing in close-up. Beautiful sounds mean strained faces; strained faces look ridiculous; faces going silently through the motions undermine the soundtrack; here, for once, belief could comfortably be

O.E.D. (BBC 1) went to China to see how the local NHS works. First surprise: unless you are a government worker it is not free. Hospital care costs a lot so the extra cash which the increasingly profit-conscious peasantry are now amassing can be absolutely vital. Remember all those propaganda films of patients undergoing major sur-gery with acupuncture anses-thetic? Q.E.D. suggested that such patients often suffer

appalling pain. "It is better to walk on two legs than one" opined the ineffable Chairman, so western and oriental medicine are generally applied in

We witnessed a counselling session for a newly wed couple. They were reminded of the rule: one child or else. The beaming lady official pulled out a pill and showed it to the wife, and then she waved a sheath at the husband. "Before you use it take it out and blow it up. If it has a hole, don't use it." After conferring shyly for a moment, the couple decided on the pill.

Michael Church hibernated."

Interview Stories of survival



Normal Lewis at home: "Endless picarcoque attacks run through my usind"

Norman Lewis is doing well by the publishing boom in travellers' tales; today Golden Earth, ings going in for literary his account of a journey to competitions in Tithits, which be never won. Before long, he prompted Cyril Connolly to took off for South Arabia, say: "Mr Lewis can make even a taking a diam than Bad

look back through old note-books full of "cyrillic scribbles indecipherable to anyone but me". Two days before I went to see him, he had put the finishing touches to a book about the three seasons he spent as a fisherman in Spain immediately after the war. His agent and his publisher say that it is the best thing he has written. "At the time, the experiences struck me as nothing," he says. "But when I look now at what I wrote, then I see it is full of incredible things. It was still the Spain of Lorca. In winter,

Travel writing is only one fragment, albeit the most enjoyable one, of Lewis's life. He is in the enviable position of being as much at home in fiction as in travelling and recording, with precise detail and a gentle, self-mocking humour, what he sees. Eleven of his 16 books are novels. "I like to exercise that part of my thought the war would go on for intellectual muscle acquired as a ever." solitary only child, whose only means of survival was telling myself stories. Endless picaresque stories rush through my mind. I like to give them a whirl." Like his traveller's tales,

their settings are exotic. Lewis is a tall, angular man with a small moustache, round glasses and an exceedingly wary expression. His father was a chemist in Enfield, but he was brought up in Wales "by three insane aunts" after his grand-fither had demanded that he be Welshified". "At the time, I thought it perfectly normal that everyone was brought up by three instne annts."

say: "Mr Lewis can make even a taking a dhow down the Red Say: Mr Lewis can make even a large a table at the process learning ressued.

The fresh interest in past never managed to bring to journeys has inspired him to Welsh.

Towards the end of the 1930s Lewis found himself in Coba. By now he was married, to a Sicilian girl fluent in five languages, from whom he picked up good Spanish and Italian, so that when war broke out someone suggested to him that he volunteer for the Intelligence Corps. (He was never to live with his wife again, but her Sicilian associations were later to provide him with material and impetus for two successful books on the Italian mafia, though he speaks of them

extremely cautiously.)
"After the Salerno landings I was posted to Naples. We had to cope with a city of a million people devastated by warfare. It was a concentrated and kaleidoscopic experience. I must have covered hundreds of notebooks." Why these did not seem to him at the time the subject matter for a book was, Lewis explains, that he had no belief "in any future existence. I

When it did end, and Lewis had regained a sense of confidence and the ability to contemplate regular hours through his Spanish fishing, he turned his eye towards Indo-China and set off for an almost unbroken decade of travelling, returning to England between journeys to write books that instantly became bestsellers. Meanwhile he had remarried, and had had two more children. It was visiting his son by his Sicilian wife, now in Guatemala, that sparked off a change of direction towards America.

What was he looking for in his travels? People? "Probably, I don't know. I became very

I have never analysed why. When I arrive among them I seel a sense of enormous excitement, like catching a good sea trout. They are very different from us. They have many characteristics I admire: they are non-materialist, wild about animals, very generous and sharing, with a total

Survival International, the human rights group dealing with tribal people, was born as a direct result of a journey Lewis made to Brazil in 1968 for The Sunday Times to write about the massacre of the Brazilian Indians. "I like mountains and jungles, easy jungles with paths," he said. They're great. Birds, vegetation, butterflies." Lewis speaks in short sentences, disconcertingly falling silent in what seem atmetimes to be the

middle.
From his travels he returns with strange plants which he introduces gingerly into his garden, having taken care "to learn their requirements". He has also surrounded his Essex house with nesting boxes and the sort of vegetation most attractive to butterflies. He cooks - the dishes he has eaten cooks - the dishes he has caten the Far East, watches over his garden, and works. "My regret is that I've stopped reading. It's like some terminal disease. As a boy I regarded any day in which I did not finish a book a wasted one. Now I can just manage a

bit of Herodorus. Lewis is trying out an autobiography. He soeaks of it with a sort of glee. "It is to be made up of essays on some seven of eight areas of my life.

My childhood - can you imagine being the son of a spiritualist medium? And all those insune aunts? Then I'm going to have a go at marriage. But I worry about that. Then there's fame. That's my meeting with Hemingway in Cuba, just after he had won the Nobel Prize. Søddest man I ever met. Sated. Then there's war, what a choice I've got there."

Caroline Moorehead

Dear Girl

Old Red Lion

This Women's Theatre Group production has been assembled from the private writings of four London friends. Righ Slate and her companions Françoise, Minna and Eva, have no claim on history beyond the fact that, for a quarter of a century, they kept up a correspondence and personal diaries which illuminate the growth of the women's movement outside the world of spotlit oratory and public

At any other period they would probably not have made friends at all. Ruth did a humdrum job and kept house for her battling parents. Eva had been the servant in a great house. Françoise and Minna were married ladies of totally different temperaments.

But they came together from a shared sense of frustration and are immediately isolated from injustice, and the hunger to Britain's jingoistic matriarchy.

make something worthwhile of Libby Mason and Tierl their lives. Ruth speaks for them all when she writes "I must find my centre before I

experiment". Finding the centre involved sloughing off their sexual and religious indoctrination, and learning to look at the surrounding world as a man-made artefact. Two of them make the orthodox escape from domestic service by learning to wield a typewriter. Françoise makes a stab at independence through freclance journalism.

They attend meetings, they go on Salvation Army marches, they pour out their political opinions and sexual confessions in their letters. The moving quality of the relationship is that it shows them struggling into another form of consciousness while still enmeshed by their old ties of duty and affection. The First World War emerges as the crucial event in their lives; all pacifists, they

Thompson's script succeeds in combining chronology with a thematic organization. The show falls into smoothly linked sessions on family life, work, menfolk, live between women, and other subjects marking their progressive emancipation from the past.

Parallel conversations often proceed on opposite sides of the set, and any sense of monotony is held at bay by Jo Richler's musical punctuation, and by bold acenic contrast.

Miss Mason's production loses its firm shape in the final emotionally-clogged episodes; but up to that point the four girls are sharply distinguished by Sandy Maberley, Hazel Maycock, Adele Saleem, and Susan McGoun; who leave you convinced that these were interesting and courageous people, blessed among other things with a keen sense of

Irving Wardle

LSO/Abbado Barbican Hall

One goes dreary years without ever hearing a note of Webern in the concert hall: now all of a sudden, to mark his centenary, the whole output is being played Barbican. On Tuesday night the first concert in this Olivetti Festival was encouragingly attended and hugely successful. It was unfortunate only that little of the success was Webern's. Possibly because orchestras

so rarely have the opportunity to play his music, and certainly because they have insufficient time to rehearse it properly, performances tend to perpetu-ate the notion of Webern as some impractical, abstract mathematician of sound, when in fact he was in search of a music as fresh and lovely as the mountain flowers he cherished. Here it was again that the London Symphony Orchestra under Claudio Abbado gave us performances of his Variations and his Musical Offering arrangement that were waiting for a corporate rhythm, a feeling of lines being drawn in zigzags of colour across the ensemble.

However, I am in no mood to Mstislav carp after the outstanding accounts of Mahler's first symphony and, even more so, Berg's three pieces that followed the Webern. The temptation is that. But it is not enough, of

Concerts

that he withdrew so much from the tumults where Berg and Mahler throve, and where Mr Abbado and his players had matched its master's feverish them thriving on Tuesday.

The Berg performance was almost a miracle; and at last here was a work that benefited from the spotlighting of the Barbican's acoustics. At the most crowded pages every strand was clear, but that would have been pointless, as it was in the Webern, without the orches-ma's wholesale reconstruction of Berg's excess. The middle movement, a waitz of loose eroticism as seedy as it is seductive, was full of the most gorgeous melody, and the final march sustained its crescendo march statement its crescence of overbearing triumph right to the last bar, where trumpets and high woodwind shout Berg's musical initial only to have it

There can be no single moment in music more violently autobiographical: Mahler is a model of taste and good order

Paul Griffiths

LPO/Rostropovich Festival Hall

Rostropovich's concert with the London Philharmonic Orchestra was undeniably exciting to watch. His lavish balletic exertions saw to

rather to see it as Webern's fault course, for a conductor merely pessions, the sounds it made were much more often simply

ragged.
It probably did not help that most of the music was on the dark side. Prokofiev's Sixth Symphony, a work too seldom heard, broods on the tragedy of the last war for much of its course. After the agonizingly intense middle movement the finale promises briefly to lighten the atmosphere. But even here under the brilliant surface, simmers and immense sorow. It is too overpowering when for a Shostakovich-like irony to intrude. One wished only that this performance could have adequately reflected

these depths; Previously we heard a rather dour reding of Ravel's orches-tration of Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition. There were aome notable solos, from Paul Lawrence (tuba), Stephen Trier (saxaphone) and especially Lawrence Evans (trumpet); it was good to hear the timpani played with such accuracy and subtlety, too. But the more jovial pictures sounded laboured, while The Old Castle" lacked any sense of mystery and the majesty of "The Great Gate of Kiev" was

but a hollow ceremony.

Stephen Pettitt

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Pop Trapped in idolatry

Duran Duran Manchester Apollo

If 1983 has marked the return of the teen idols, Duran Duran can take a dubious pride in having retained their scream-appeal title. The opening night of this tour confirmed their status as brand leaders in the pubescent and very zoisy small girl Duran market. But having aspired to ing in this lofty height Duran Duran seem remarkably unaware of what to do with the power. While their last album Seven

And The Ragged Tiger found

the band attempting to mature,

was simply more of pop's hits "Rio", "Is There Some-

Granting the commercial aspects of Duran's success, the glossy good looks and obvious hooks, one would have expected them to attempt an emertain-ment that differed from the stock rock cliches. Far from it. Despite the modern connotations of their sound and the post-New Romantic imagery, Duran are quite happy wallow-ing in the old-fashioned rou-Singer Simon Le Bon is a curiously clumsy performer for

"Planet Earth" but the constant hysteria of the audience did them no favours. The sound was homogenized and bland. To their credit Duran are smart enough not to patronise the crowd in the way Wham!

do; they do not prey on fey sexuality. Similarly, their commitment to pleasing the fans is genuine. They would argue that you cannot eat artistic integrity. What rankles finally is the perfunctory acceptance of what they do as an end someone at this level and while in itself. I suspect Duran Duran the band are competent enough at striking the right pose they would like to be taken seriously. Unfortunately the idolatry is assimilating a degree of Let's lack the charisma necessary to Dance-styled Bowie into their sustain any excitement. They own repertoire, this live show offered during deliveries of the nothing more than a con

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to profits.

Market analysts are looking for pretax profits of between £120m and £125m for the year against £116.2m last time. However, some brokers are looking for a figure of nearer £133m and this is certain to start another round of upgrad-ing among other market ex-

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renewed activity among blue the gilt edged market, prices rose by up to 50p supported by Tuesday's better than expected bank lending figures. But on the foreign exchange sterling dropped to its lowest level ever, falling 55 points to \$1.455. points to \$1.4355.

It looks as though the worst may be over at Steelley, currently the subject of a bid from Hepworth Ceramic. Yesterday the shares rose 6p to 218p as broker Scrimgeour Kemp Gee continued to recommend the shares, desired to be add a part of years and despite halved pretax profits and a cut in the dividend last year. At the halfway stage this year Steetley produced profits of £10.5m and Scrimgeour is

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broker has decided to release an extra £500m of existing stock. They are £300m of Exchequer 10% per cent 1995 and £200m of Exchequer 10% per cent responded 9p to 605p ahead of figures later today, while the ordinary added 9p to 610p. Analysts are looking for pretax

Among leaders, Bowater slipped ip to 240p after scaling new heights on Monday on hopes that terms for the sale of its Corner Brook milling interest might be announced shortly. The shares have been active of late, sliding to below the 1900 level only to recover this account on bid hopes.

Blue Circle fell 8p to 428p and Rugby Portland 5p to 99% after news that the Cement Makers Federation council meeting had decided against the expected 5 per cent rise in cement prices.

There has again been big US support for shares of BTR, 13p dearer at 412p. American investors reckon the shares Rugby was reckoned to have been pressing for a big rise in prices, but Blue Circle, which has been more affected by imported cement than other

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week it bought a total of 137,000 shares amounting to 14.9 per cent of the equity. Shares of Dixon Group rose 5p to 245p - just Ip short of the year's high - as broker Scott Goff Hancock continued to argue for an upgrading of the shares. Interim figures out shortly are expected to show pretax profits up from £5.5m to £7.5m with SGH looking for an increase in the full year from £14m to a record £18.5m. Shares of Highgate responded to the news with a 4p rise to

But Eastern Produce slipped 3p to 163p after Lawrie Group announced it had bought an extra 117.000 shares, taking its total holding to 1.79 million shares, or 17.12 per cent of the notal.

Dalgety spurted 12p to 398p after a buy recommendation from broker Phillips & Drew who is impressed by the 9 per cent yield. Another big broker is also recommending the shares and says they made a good start in the first quarter and should be capable of at least £22 m in

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Safeway Food Stores has joined the growing list of supermarket chains reporting

bumper profits. The company a wholly-owned subsidiary of Safeway Stores Inc of the United States, reported pretax profits 41 per cent higher at 24.1m on a turnover up from

£502m to £597m. Britain's invisible earnings, from industries which include insurance, shipping, tourism and the investment industry, jumped 8 per cent for the first nine months of this year, according to official figures yesterday. For the third quarter of this year these earnings from the private sector rose by £127m to £7.6 billion and brings the total this year up from £21bn to £22.6bn. The surplus on the financial and other services continues to substantial improve-



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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Faster world growth and a diminishing debt problem

A perceptible glow of optimism that the world may be over the hump of the debt crisis, apparent since this autumn, has been growing brighter as signs of economic recovery have multiplied.

M Jacques de Larosière, managing director of the International Monetary Fund, yesterday added his voice to the band of hope. He told a French foreign trade symposium that the IMF was now predicting 3.5 per cent growth in the industrial countries next year (compared with 3.25 per cent forecast in September), after 2 per cent this year. It was expected to be accompanied by a 4.5 per cent expansion of world trade.

Each 1 per cent growth in the West over the next three years means \$35 billion (£24.2 billion) additional export earnings for the hard-pressed developing countries, equivalent to one-third of their total debt service payments for 1982, the IMF chief pointed out.

Third World nations have already made substantial efforts to help themselves, They have managed, in the midst of the most severe global recession since the war, to cut their aggregate balance of payments deficit to about \$67 billion this year from \$110 billion in 1981. Their debt service payments have come down from 23 per cent to 19 per cent.

A durable world recovery, tough adjustment programmes by debtor countries and the maintenance of credit flows to the developing world could lower the debt service ratio to 14 per cent over the next three years, M de Larosière said.

Also striking an optimistic note, Herr Karl Otto Poehl, president of the German Central Bank, told reporters yesterday that the \$3 billion bridging loan from the industrial countries to help the IMF over its cash shortage (to be matched by a similar sum from Saudi Arabia) would be agreed when central bankers meet next week in Basic.

The encouraging picture painted by M de Larosière, which follows the recent analysis of Third World debts by Professor William Cline, of the Washing-



Schmidt (left) and De Larosière: hurch words about US deficit

ton-based Institute for International Economics, is a less certain prospect than he makes it seem. The growth of protectionist pressures and the huge American budget deficit, now seemingly cast in steel until after next year's presidential election, throws deep shadows on optimism.

According to the IMF managing director, who had some harsh things to say about the US deficit, interest rates in the seven largest economies were more than 5 per cent above inflation, when the difference should be no more than 2 per

Herr Helmut Schmidt, former West German Chancellor, went further when he said yesterday that the US deficit was the world's biggest economic problem.

In remarks reminiscent of Mr Edward Heath's call a couple of years ago for a "ring-fence" of capital controls round Europe, Herr Schmidt said European countries might be forced to impose capital controls to stop outflows to the US. Almost as the words came out, the idea was being pooh-poohed by the president of the West German Central Bank.

Slater ghost walks again

The move by Mr Gwyn Ward Thomas, the chairman of Trident Television, tostage a management buyout of three of its companies seems to have acted as an advertisement.

Yesterday, Trident announced it had sold Windsor Safari Park, scenery makers Watts & Corry and a company with rights over Trident films to the private concern Southbrook and City Holdings for £2.26m cash. Two banker's drafts are already earning interest in Trident's bank account.

The cash pays for assets of £1,804,000 and profits before tax for the year to the end of last September of £571,000. It also takes into account corporation tax liabilities of £435,000. The tax element under Mr Ward Thomas's buyout would have been left with Trident.

Controlling Southbrook are Mr Derek Dawson and Mr Alan Joelson. Mr Dawson was a managing director of Hemdale, a company started by Mr John Daley and actor Mr David Hemmings in the late 1960s. Hemdale came to t stock market by a reverse takeover of Purben

Five years later it was bid for by Equity Enterprises, where Mr David Frost was deputy chairman, and the backing force was the former financial giant Slater, Walker, with almost a third of the shares.

But in the mid-1970s Mr Dawson was involved in buying back Hemdale, whose name was changed to Southbrook in January 1982. Mr Joelson was a founder and former managing director of the Pleasurama casino group. He resigned in 1975 to join Mr Dawson.

The success of Southbrook, which is involved in theme parks in Spain and has interests in films, is a setback for Mr Ward Thomas. He returns from abroad today to face the matter of compensation for relinquishing his chairman's seat to Lord Hanson at the annual meeting next February. Under his buyout scheme he would have received £83,000. He has a four-year service agreement with Trident at an annual salary of £100,000.

He is still likely to be chairman when the Monopolies and Mergers Commission finally publishes its report into Pleasurama's £56m takeover bid for Trident.

Share prices drift

New York (Reuter) - Share prices were mixed in early trading yesterday as the New York stock market continued to

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up by just 0.41 to

First-hour volume reached about 24.03 million shares. Airline issues came into the spotlight following reports that traffic in November had increased by about 8 per cent despite higher fares. Reports said some analysts are rec-

ommending the stocks. Many investors are keeping WALL STREET

an eye on OPEC meeting in Geneva, where ministers are trying to decide what to do about prices and production. On the trading floor, American Telephone & Telegraph was the most active issue, down 4 to 644. AT & T when issued Shamrock was third on the list,

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By David Young and Michael Press

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was sponsored by Senator David Dafinone, a member of

National Party. But the vote is

not binding on the government,

The proposal was part of a

economic crisis.

wider motion which suggested five ways of surmounting

Senator Dafindne argued that,

the country's Opec quota of 1.3

million barrels a day was not enough to produce the revenue

needed to cover Nigeria's short-term debts. He advocated raising output to 2 million

barrels a day. But in Geneva, Mr Yahya

Dikko, the Nigerian oil minis-

ter, said he knew nothing about

the senate's vote. Asked about the reports, he said: "Oh really?

I didn't know that, Tell me

was present when ministers

resumed their discussions la

As the negotiations were again joined, Shaikh Ahmed

Arabian petroleum minister, insisted that oil prices would be

frozen for at least another 12.

months. He said: "I assure you,

it will be like this because we

will never in Saudi Arabia increase our price."

Shaikh Yamani went on:

"Even if you have the majority in Opec to increase it, which is a

hypothetical question, we are

not going to increase our

But other members are pressing for higher prices and bigger quotas. Mr Muhammad Gharazi, the Iranian oil minis-

ter, said yesterday morning that

his government wanted a \$5

Iran and Iraq, who have been at war for three years, each

argued that because of econ-

omic difficulties, it should be

the first member to benefit from any increase in the demand for

oil. The two Gulf producers,

whose output has suffered from

increase in the marker price.

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united front.

The Nigerian senate

Uncertainty over the future the first three quarters of this of oil prices knocked sterling in late trading yesterday. The pound fell sharply to its lowest predicted a surplus for this year level against the dollar, touch- as a whole of just £500m, falling

> The revision is entirely accounted for by higher invis-ible earnings, including interest, profit and dividends remitted from overseas, and transfer payments helped by an improvement in the ment's balance with the EEC. The balance of payments

figures released yesterday by the Central Statistical Office also show that portfolio investment overseas totalled £5,050m in the first three quarters this year, up from £4,470m in the same period a year ago. The pound's late weakness

was amplified by more techni-

further joint studies of Britain's

employment prospects in what

was being cautiously hailed last

night as an encouraging step towards a new mood of

tripartite conciliation on the

The decision to press ahead

with the joint studies was taken at yesterday's meeting of the National Economic Develop-

Treasury produced its long-

awaited paper on the prospects for new jobs.

The 30-page study, which was

undertaken on the initiative by Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancel-

lor, earlier this summer, makes

it clear that the Government is

expecting most new jobs to

come from the service in-dustries, with little or no further

growth in manufacturing indus-

It says that these new jobs will only materialize if em-

ployers, employees and unions are prepared to become more

work, with more frequent job

changes, more flexible hours,

more part-time work, and greater job mobility. It gives a

warning that this process of

structural change in the econ-

By Our Financial Staff

Tear to 30.9.85
Pretex profit 291.1m (60.4m)
Stated earnings 16.90 (12.7p)
Turnover 21,484m (21,148m)
Net total dividend 5p (4p adjusted)
Share price 252p Yield 2.8%
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Hanson Trust is on course for

another set of record profits this

year on the back of a substantial

recovery in the US economy.

The good prospects follow record results for 1982-83 which

surpassed market expectations

and pushed the share price to a

record 252p.
The industrial conglomerate,

built up by Lord Hanson

through acquisition and now including Ever Ready and the Allders (formerly UDS) retail

business, increased profits from

The good results stemmed particularly from the improving performance of Hanson's UK and European companies like Ever Ready and Butterley, the

with a large cash element of £408m, helped by sales of UDS assets which totalled £160m and

£60.4m to £91.1m.

fall in central costs.

Year to 30.9.83

ment Council where

economy.

buy marks decided to sell minned by the huge federal sterling rather than dollars, budget deficit, coupled with

The pound ended the day lower against all currencies though the final calculation of tive index, made earlier by the Bank of England, showed a 0.1 improvement to 82.9.

The dollar made widespread though modest gains against most currencies, its trade-

Though there is general agreement that the dollar is overvalued by as much as a fifth on fundamental economic grounds, in terms of relative inflation and competitiveness, no one dares predict when it

The booming economy, and high US interest rates under-

The TUC also submitted a

held at the council since Mrs

Thatcher came to power in

Sir Terence Beckett, director

general of the CBL said it was

one of the most constructive

economic problems".

another record year

Mr Hector Sants, of Phillips

& Drew, the stockbrokers, believes Hanson will make at

least £125m and probably more

for the current year but warns that the market is nervous

about further British acqui-

sitions. The improvement will

come from the US where the

businesses had a strong finish to

Hanson shares soar on

record profit of £91m

sterling rather than dollars, budget deficit, coupsed was because the US currency is international political tensions, continue to make the dollar and continue to the dollar and continue to the dollar and continue to the d overwhelming attraction for short-term funds.

> The pound's inst the dollar also rules out a cut in British interest rates. The situation gives Britain the worst of all worlds. Sterl-

ing's weakness against the dollar raises inflationary pressures since many imported basic weighted index rising 0.3 to materials are priced in dollars.

But it remains at high levels against European currencies and the yen, which leaves British goods uncompetitive in their most important export markets.

The Government will there fore be reluctant to raise interest rates as this could push up sterling against these currencie

risking damage to the recovery. RIT takes

in jobbers

Mr Jacob Rothschild's RIT and Northern investment trust group vesterday announced it owns 7,72 per cent of the stockjobbers Smith Brothers. paper to the council meeting warning that despite some "real" rate of unemployment could still rise to more than S by the New York company L F million by the end of the 1980s. Rothschild Unterberg Towbin, of which RIT owns 50 per cent, The ensuing debate was described by all the participants had taken the stake above the S per cent level required to be as one of the most constructive declared under British company and encouraging to have been

> Mr Tony Lewis, Smith's chairman, said last night: "RIT haye had just under 5 per cent of us for some time. This announcement does not parcularly surprise me. I don't think its a threat of a takeover.

meetings for many years, at which a lot of common ground had been established. Mr Len Murray, general cretary of the TUC, welcomed the Treasury's paper as a serious response to a challenging issue, and said he hoped the further ioint exercises would start "to chart common ground leading to real agreed action". Mr Lawson, also said he wa

encouraged by the fact that joint work had been started on future Last month, Mercury Securities, the quoted parent of SG Warburg, the respected City merchant bank, paid £21m for 29.9 per cent stake in Akroyd.

Market indees believe that employment patterns, which he said went "to the heart of our

> breaching the 5 per cent level, is likely to have been an error.

RIT holds a 29:9 per cent stake of Kitcat & Aitken, the Interest period November 2 to London stockbrokers, and this month will consumate the 9.350 per cent. substantial merger between itself and Charterhouse Group, the merchant bank.

Lord Hanson: on target for another record year the holding to the 5 per cent £154m in its five months with level.

7% stake

By Philip Robinson

It may be, I just don't know."

Smith's price has soared this year from 38p to last night's 83p, up 2p on the day. Behind the price surge was a belief that changes in the Stock Exchange rules on shareholding by outsiders would mean strategic stakes being taken in both Smith and Akroyd & Smithers, London's other publicly quoted

Market traders believe that liscussions are taking place between Smith and outsiders

RIT's London and New York buying of Smith stock, giving it 1.002 million shares and

It has emerged that on taking its Kitcat stake, RIT promised not to take more than 5 per cent of any other member firm without consulting the Exchang-e's ruling council. The council will begin today to decide if it thinks RIT ought to sell 2.5 per cent of Smith Brothers to return

STOCK EXCHANGES

Index rise

continues

The stock market continued

pound yesterday 25 it again scaled new heights, with the FT Index closing 5.4 up at 753.6.

pected bank lending figures also-helped sentiment and the Bank of England took the opportunity to dip into the gilts market to help finance government expen-

Yesterday, it announced an additional £500m of stock — £300m of Exchequer, 10% per

icent, 1995 and £200m of

Exchequer, 10 ½ per cent, 1994, Dealings are expected to start

Tuesday's

better-than-ex-

FT Index: 753.6 up 5.4 FT Gilts: 83.33 up 0.33 FT All Share: 463.59 up 1.99 Bargains: 20,048 Datastreum USM Leaders Index: 95.92 up 0.15 industrial Aver (latest) 1277.64 up 8.33 Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jos index 9,404.99 down 33.80 Hongkong: Hang Ser Index 874.36 down 7.22 Amsterdam: 156 down 0.4

Sydney: AO Index 735.0 up Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 1022.7 down 0.3 129.32 unchanged Paris: CAC Index 150.4 up: Brussels: General Index

Zurich: SKA General Index 384.10 down 0.20

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1,4420 down 75pts Index 82.9 up 0.1 DM 3.9425 down 0.0150

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INTEREST RATES

Bank base rates 9 Finance houses base rate 91/2 Discount market loans week 9 3 month interbank 91-914 3 month dollar 9%-10 3 month DM 6%-6% 3 month FrF 131/2-121/2

US rates Bank prime rate 11.00 Fed funds 91/2 Treasury long bond 101%

ECOD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV

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London fixed (per oun am \$399.75 pm \$399.75 close \$399.50-400 (2277.25-

277.75) New York latest: \$399 Krugerrand* (per coin): \$412-413.50 (£286-287) Sovereigns* (new): \$94-95 (£65.25-66) Excludes VAT

the year, from a further fall in brick maker, and a substantial costs and a much greater contribution from Allders. The balance sheet is strong stake in London Brick and market speculation has connec-ted it with both Tate & Lyle and assets which totalled £160m and Bowater. However, with half its good cash generation from the business in the US, it is likely to rest of the business. Allders spend some of its cash moun-

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contributed £6.7m on sales of tain there Social trends survey: pound's purchasing power down to 25p since 1971

exceeding its quota.

Signs of greater affluence despite squeeze

and 1971, the spending power of the 1961 pound in your pocket fell to 64 pence. That might seem bad enough. But 10 years later, the man with a 1971 of the median average, virtually the same as in 1970, while the pound in his pocket would have found that worth only 27p. By last year, it was worth only a top 10 per cent slightly inquarter of its 1971 purchasing

The great 1970s inflation, apart from furring up the economic tubes, has made it to our incomes and spending moved up to 66 per cent. That confusion makes us ever more dependent on reference larly on the Central Statistical Office's Social Trends, a compilation of figures called from the mass of official documents and published in its 14th edition today.

In the decade to 1982 biggest source of incomes, but £174 billion. But after taking the increase in unemployment. out inflation, disposable in- Despite ruracurs to the income from £75 per week to a that seems to belie the imcomes per head rose a more contrary, the rich still pay far mear-average £35, would inpression of mass destitution.

By Graham Searjeant modest 12.5 per cent after peaking in 1980. Some things do not change, the distribution of incomes for instance. In 1982, the lowest paid tenth of full-time male employees received 62 per cent

creased its differentials. Even among full-timers, men are still paid far more than women, though in percentage terms the gap has narrowed. In 1971 women were on average virtually impossible to judge paid 55 per cent of male what has really been happening earnings. By 1982 that had

And far more of us are now being paid ny cheque or bank books of statistics and particu- credit 53 per cent in 1981 against 39 per cent in 1976 and only 25 per cent in 1969, that parily reflects the switch from factory work to service employmment. Wages are still by far the

deductions from pay packets social security now provides 13 rose from 17 per cent to 21 per per cent of incomes as against 9 cent. Even so, in money terms, per cent a decade ago, mainly disposable incomes mush due to the higher proportion of retired people and latterly, to

TEN YEARS OF CHANGE Pettent of spending 1972 1983 (Index of consumers' real spending at 1980 prices, 1880–100) 99 94 86 109 105 125 93 Clothing and foothress Purchase of vehicles Other Custent transfers Post and Telecommun 100 Deductions (% of incomes) Taxes on income National insurance cont. 101 All consumer sounding 17 weekly 95 93 51 70 Full-time employees' gross earnings (median) income tax Evenhold as proportions of men's earning 33 Telephone 1271 Percentage of marketable was pured by: Top 1% of population Top 5% of population

Top 10% of population more taxes than those on crease their spending power by average or low incomes, though only 10 per cent. the poverty trap remains fully in place as at April, 1983. The age man may be forging ahead, low-paid married couple with consumption trends show a two children who boosted their pattern of increasing affluence

However modestly the aver-

As ever, we are spending more and more on alcohol though in the past decade that seems to represent more of a switch from tobacco than an

Mathew Holl

Interim Report

Group results for the nine months to 30 September 1983

	9 months to		Year to	
	30 Sept 83 £000		31 Dec 83 2000	
Profit on tracking Oil, gas, chemical and mining Mechanical and electrical	2,429 3,881	3, 136 2, 103	3.718 3.337	
Interest receivable (net)	6,301 3,377	5,239 3,189	7,055 4,580	
Profit before taxation Taxation charge for the period (note 2)	9,678 (5, 2 02)	8,428 (3,525)	(3,981)	
Profit after turation Outside shareholders' interests	3,971 (1)	4,903	7,654 (1)	
Profit attributable to shareholders	3,970	4,902	7,653	
Ordinary dividends	436	408	2,098	
Earnings per share after taxation	11.62p	14.34p	22.39p	

numers.

1. The mine months' results by both years are unaudited. The results for the year 1962 shown above are an a version of the audited accounts of that year which have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies; the Registrar of Companies; the Registrar of Companies. natus was anticonnect, non for the nine months and year 1982 was reduced by 1400,000 and 1578,000 respectively by credits for a Corporation for previously written off.

Salient Points from the **Interim Report to Shareholders**

- Group pre-tax profit for the nine months up from £8.428m to
- Increased dividend of 1.275p (1982: 1.195p) per Ordinary share.
- Oil, gas, chemical and mining results affected by USA and South East Asia but UK, Australia and Brazil have all performed well.
- The mechanical and electrical sector has increased its share of Group trading profit due to higher work volumes and higher than usual incidence of contract completions.
- Present indications are that the full year pre-tax profit should amount to some £121/2m.

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Patrick Knight reports from Sao Paulo on the world's toughest debt problem

With a modicum of luck, Brazil should not return to the top of the financial news pages for the next four months. Pressure will probably only start building up strongly again in March, when the country gets back to work

Brazil's debt drama became acute more than a year ago, forcing bankers to spend last Christmas struggling with the first of a series of rescue

packages.
Now the International Monetary Fund has finally agreed that the series of aims set for 1984 can be made to stick, which was not true of the three earlier attempts. As a result, the IMF has released more than \$1 billion (£689m) of frozen drawing rights, money which has already been used to pay back long overdue bridging loans to the Bank for Interpational Sattle

Encouraged by the thaw, most of Brazil's 830 creditor banks have moved funds from one side of their balance sheets to the other, releasing loans arranged at the turn of the year, but frozen since May, when it became clear that Brazil was not going to meet targets initially agreed with the IMF. The first tranches of the latest \$6.5 billion (£4.5 billion) loan should also be released before the vear's end.

It remains ominous that fewer than half of Brazil's creditor banks have agreed to join in with the latest loan. Most of the absentees are small fry, responsible for less than 10 per cent of the debt between

Brazil might even end the year with something in its reserves, rather than owing up to \$3 billion in unpaid interest, overdue bills and charges, as during the past few months.

But few expect the luli to last for more than four or five months. Then Brazil will be back, asking for more, much

A low estimate is \$5billion.So how much longer will the drama last, and is the worst yet This depends on two factors:

one which Brazil can do something about, the other it cannot. It depends on how well the measures which have been taken so far, or are to be taken, will work out. But it also depends on how strong and sustained the international recovery, and consequently the growth of world trade, will prove to be, as well as on such variables as interest rates, the price of oil, and the weather.

The basic demand of the IMF has been that Brazil's public sector deficit should be brought under control, by curbing trends that led to inflation reaching the present 200 per cent a year level, one of the world's highest, and the worst yet in Brazil itself.

Brazil cannot win the self-help battle on its own

ment seems to be relying on the

recent wage law, and on eliminating generous perks, rather than actually cutting

staff, in a year which will also be

politically sensitive, as the

build-up to the presidential

Subsidies to farmers, and on

food have been replaced by high

farm gate prices. This may have contributed to inflation this

year, and forced people to spend

more on food, but it has

stimulated a shift in investment

from the stagnant cities to the

Weather permitting, next year's harvest should be a

record. That will be good for

exports and will help to depress

inflation and eliminate the need

curbing the oil bill. Internal

production has reached the

record 400,000 barrels a day.

reducing the import bill.

Another success has been in

One bright spot is agriculture.

election gathers pace.

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to import food.

This year, subsidies on foodstuffs, cheap credit for farmers, and subsidies for oil have been eliminated, or sharply reduced. Almost all incomes have been cut, either through wage rises being set below the inflation rate, or through the mechanism of inflation itself, working to reduce disposable incomes, as prices rise ahead of

Tight controls on imports, down by more than \$2 billion, and a fifth in volume from last year's, have forced industry to local alternatives, cutting de-

However, in an economy as highly indexed as Brazil's, such measures initially tend to boost inflation, rather than slow it.
And that has happened this
year, which is a shock for the
IMF.

In addition, despite all the promises, little has been done to curb state sector spending. Capital spending is being halved over a two-year period. But the Government has yet

to summon up the courage to cut staff. Last year, an election period, those employed by the public sector grew by at least half a million. And although a few of those appointed in an attempt to prevent the Government party's electoral performance being worse than it was have been sacked, they have been more than replaced by new appointments made where the Opposition has taken control.

Despite civil construction falling by 18 per cent in a year, industrial output tumbling by nearly 10 per cent, and commerce generally being cut by 7 per cent, the tertiary sector, responsible for more than half of gross national product and largely formed by the public

done to curb state spending

this will be tackled with

between 8 and 10 per cent next year, permitting the country's exports to grow by 12 per cent as a result. Last year, exports shrank to an all-time low of 6.5 per cent of gnp. They will be slightly more than that this year, but that is mainly because gnp itself has fallen. The impressive trade surplus of more than \$6 billion is almost entirely the result of cuts in imports; any export rises are due more to firmer prices,

Brazil's optimists hope that

world trade will grow by

than extra volumes. There have also been alle gations that trade figures have been massaged, notably by recording exports almost as soon as firm orders are re-ceived, but only recording imports when the goods actually arrive in Brazil, a tactic which can only be used once.

Things could improve next year. Demand for some commodities, notably soya, is strong due to the failure of the US-crop while coffee and cocoa look promising. But demand for iron ore continues to shrink despite the '5's recovery. Sugar, once one of Brazil's four leading export carners, remains very weak, due principally to the subsidy on beet given by the

The Government is aiming to push exports up to about 9 per cent of gnp which implies a sustained growth of 10 per cent or more each year.

That depends only partly on Brazil. It depends much more on the developed countries considering that growth is more important for the world, than finally defeating an inflation running now at the sort of levels which would cause a second Carnival in Brazil,

The low value of the cruzeiro enabled Brazil to make some spectacular gains this year, to: compensate for declines in Third World market. Steel exports, for example, are run-ning at double what they were last year, and still rising. The US, Japan and China being the

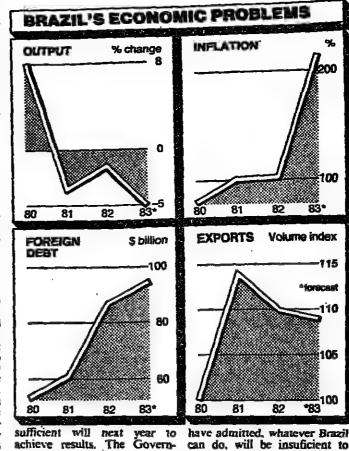
year's horrific 14.6 per cent increase, but it is still becoming The first two countries have a heavier burden each year. obsolete steel mills facing prohibitive capital costs for The key lies in export. The 23 per cent devaluation at the replacement. So Brazil's new beginning of last year, along with continued mini-devalumills, built with considerable sacrifice and representing a significant chunk of the debt. are able to compete.

But will this be permitted without provoking the sort of protectionist reaction, which will curb export growth in future, and provoke another financial crisis? -53

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For Brazil to escape finally from the bankers' clutches will take time. Eight to 10 years on a steady course is what optimistic planners in Brasilia think. And that depends on a lot of things going right, and very few going



Little has been

sector, has not shrunk at all this year. The financial impact has been made far worse by the yields of many taxes being reduced by more than a quarter. It remains to be seen whether

The devaluation has kept Brazil's goods competitive

can do, will be insuficient to

make an impact on a debt

burden which, despite the visible trade surplus being three

times last year's, will rise by not

less than 10 per cent this year.

That is certainly below last

ations, has kept Brazil's goods competitive in the US, and, to a slightly lesser degree, in Western Europe.

But this has not compensated sharp falls in stagnant markets in virtually the whole But as all of Brazil's creditors of the rest of the world.

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1983 EXAMINATIONS

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Granada – printing money at a slower pace

prefer these days that nobody £6.06m. had ever mentioned licences to print money, and Granada was doubled trading profits to no exception. Group pretax £2.59m - again the fruit of no exception. Group pretax profits for the year fell by 7.6 per cent to £43.5m while turnover put on 14 per cent to from the petrol price war. £521m. Trading surplus, more-over, went up by the same amount to £128m.

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Measured by volume, the television and video rental iousiness is the problem. Its share of group profits shed of trading profits.

But it is clear that long-term growth will come from other areas. The trouble for Granada is that the new profits source is

The areas which did show a significant improvement over est year were overseas rentals, certainly hope that it is so. bingo and cinemas, and motorway services. The former is fell only slightly to 12.5p, and particularly promising because this doubtless encouraged the the £5.72m trading profit, up directors to raise the final from £2.82m, came after abdividend by 10 per cent to 3.7p sorbing £2.4m of development net. costs in the United States.

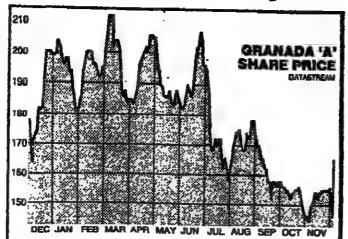
Television companies would contribtion from £4.69m to

Mororway services almost heavy investment in recent years. Granada also benefited But the television business

proper, still in a sense the 180 group's flagship, saw its Channel Four subscription go up from £5.7m last year to a considerable £15.6m. After levy relief the actual figure was another percentage point last £3.3m, so the division's trading car to 55.4 per cent of £24.7m profit of £6.7m compared with profit of £6.7m compared with £8.9m was more creditable than it might seem at first sight. What really upset the figures,

however, was the sharp tur-nround in the Belgian insurance business. It lost £2m. This is supposed to include all known claims, and shareholders will In the end, earnings per share

The full payout of 5.8p, up 6 Investment and economies in per cent, is covered 2.1 times bingo helped to raise its and yields a very fair 5 per cent.



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transactions which were in Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom, are amongst the most far reaching

By following the strategy laid down for the Group in the early 1970's, we had by June of this year transformed a

geographical profile heavily dependent upon Australasian weather and trading conditions into a very different profile indeed. In the process we have become one of the Northern Hemisphere's major food and agricultural companies.

The merging of our Australian interests gives us a smaller but more profitable share of a much larger business, as is

enhanced borrowing power available to the Group as a result of these two deals will go a long way to financing the

third, and undoubtedly the most significant of our recent moves --- the acquisition of RHM Agriculture, which was

The Directors have already said that they are confident about the outcome for the current year. The figures which

are now coming through for the first months of the year are well ahead of those for last year, and fully support this

also the case with our merger in New Zealand. The cash soon to be released in New Zealand, together with the

The acquisition of RHM Agriculture will double our share of the UK market for animal feeds but much more

importantly it will greatly extend and improve our ability to service farmers throughout the UK.

A Highlights of the Year Ended on June 30, 1983.

AT THE 99TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN LONDON

ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 25TH, CHAIRMAN MR. DAVID DONNE SAID:

ax up 15% to a record £52.5 million

Pilkington's strong progress in the first half, during which ing is accepted, the shortfall in to a loss of £3.9m.

redundancy and pension cost, a figure which may be bigger in the second half. Despite the weakness of demand and in the first half, during which pretax profits rose by 90 per foreign competition encouraged cent to £30.4m, disguises the by the resilience of sterling continuing, if diminishing losses, incurred on the core British operations. It the company's market, the trading position wersion of current cost accountments of £12.7m

this country was £11.1m.

But of that total £7.2m was 90 per cent of capacity, another

favourable indicator, and Pilkington has restored its market share to 55 per cent. Overseas, however, the pic-

ture is brighter. Libbey-Owens-Ford in the US contributed £4.6m, and the South African. Swedish and, oddly enough, Argentine companies did well. But below the line, this imbalance between Britain where it must be admitted the specialist electro-optical, oph-thalmic and cemfil glasses are

performing solidity - and overseas generates tax prob-lems. After £25.6m in tax, of which £23.5m was incurred abroad, the attributable net loss The result was a retained loss

of £10.3m, and a loss per share of 0.8p. Nevertheless, this is a distict advance on last year's retained loss of £15.5m or 3.9p a share, and coupled with a 27 per cent increase in turnover to £578m, supports the maintained 5p net dividend. On the 10p fall in the share price to 238p, the yield is 6.3 per cent.

Crystalate

Mr John Leworthy, chairman of the electronic component Crystalate Holdings, does not like debt. That fact may well determine the group's decision about selling the recently acquired china business Royal Worcester. The £24m battle has left the group with £5m of Worcester debt and £9m of Crystalate loan stock - which in effect becomes a rights issue if a

Lewerthy could do without. But Crystalate has been unable to value that side of Worcester's business because it has yet to locate the structure of the diversified businesses. Certainly, potential bidders have not been slow to make approaches including the present managements

sale is made - both of which Mr

Not surprisingly. Crystalate easily beat the profit forecast made at the time of the bid battle. Pretax profits are up 34 per cent to £3.2m on a numover up from £20.7m to £23.8m. The final dividend is raised from 1.54p to 2.85p, making a total payout for the year of 3.255p.

The shares are back to at 186p, up 7p to yield 2.5 per

COMMODITIES



COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

Pegier-Hattersley Half-year to 1.10.83 Pretax profit £7.9m (£7.9m) Stated earnings 13.6p (13.4p) Turnover £73.8m (£70.2m) Net Interim dividend 5p (4p)

David Dixon Group Half-year to 1.10.83 Protex profit £107,000 (loss 2110,000) Stated earnings 4.52p (loss 7p) Turnover 27.4m (26.2m) Net interim dividend 2.22p (same)

Wolverhampton & Dudley Brax Year to 30.9.83 Pretax profit £12.5m (£11.3m) Stated earnings 20.3p (£0.3p) Turnover £86.4m (£80.1m) Net dividend 6.85p (6.05p)

Casycoat City Offices
Half-year to 30.9.83
Pretax profit 2686,000 (£1m)
Stated earnings 2.1p (2.7p)
Turnover £1.4m (£1.3m) Net interim dividend 0.6p (0.5p)

CUMBERS ENGINE COMPANY LIMITED INTERIM STATEMENT

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the six months ended 4th July 1982, are as follows: Six Months Ended 3rd July 1983 \$64,583,000 £104,920,000 £ (6,282,000) E20,613,000 £ (2,900,000) \$8,005,000 £ (3,382,000) \$12,008,000 Net (Loss) Profit

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Crystalate Holdings pic

Design and Manufacture of Electronic Components and Equipm 1983 RESULTS

-Year to 30 September-

1983 £000 £20,776 £23,898 Operating profit 22,438 £3,205 Profit after taxation £1,653 21,236 Earnings per share (basic) 10.94p 8.28p Proposed final dividend 2.00p 1.54p Total dividend for year 3.26p 2.42p

Since the year end Royal Worcester Pic has become a subsidiary company. Based on the order books of the Crystalate companies and confidence in Royal Worcester prospects, further substantial growth is expected for the group as a **Commercial Property**

Surging South-east

London, is enjoying a surge in office development at the expense of the rest of, the country, according to a detailed study just published by St Quintin, a leading firm of chartered surveyors. It concludes that if the present trends continue there will be more commercial office space in the outer South-east than in central London by the early 1990s.

The last 10 years have seen a startling change in the situation. activities. In 1974, central London accounted for 25.7 per cent of all commercial office floorspace in England, the outer South-east for 14.5 per cent, and all other regions combined 46.1 per cent, But over the next eight years the growth in central London office space was the lowest of these areas while that of the outer South-east was the highest. By 1982, central London's share had fallen to 23.8 per cent, but that of the outer South-east had

main industrial company headquarters rose from 41 per cent to 43 per cent while the outer South-east's share doubled from 7 per cent to 15 per cent, and the share of all other regions combined fell from 40 per cent to 31 per cent.

"The outer South-east's gain has not been at the expense of London but rather at the expense of the provincial conurbations and peripheral regions", the study says. The fact that, not withstanding central London's reduced share of office space, its share of major company headquarters had increased leads St Quintin to reject the possibility that the outer South-east's growth is due simply to decentralization, or that central London as an office centre is declining in absolute terms.

The study concentrated on 13 towns providing a mix which includes new towns, traditional locations, and a regional centre Crawley, Harlow, Peter-borough, Redditch, Basing-stoke, Swindon, Brighton, Cheltenham, Oxford, Leatherhead, Newbury, Norwich and Ilford.

The biggest percentage in-crease in office floorspace since 1974 occurred in Redditch, 14 miles south of Birmingham, which nearly trebled floorspace from 103,300 sq ft to 301,300 sq

outside it in eight years. Swindon and surge in Peterborough both more than doubled their floorspace, and the study concludes that proximity to London is an unreliable guide to office growth.

According to St Quintin, the main factors in determining as a relocation base, its status as a regional or sub-regional centre, its status as a local centre and the specialization of

a town in one or a few economic

Status as a regional or subregional centre emerged as the principle factor in office development in the traditional centres of Brighton and Norwich and to some extent in Cheltenham and Oxford, but only in two - Basingstoke and Swindon - was the relocations factor responsible for rapid growth.

The comparison between Crawley and Harlow, both designated new towns in 1947, jumped to 17.1 per cent.

Between 1968 and 1982, lation and each a similar central London's share of the distance from London, is distance from London, is significant. Crawley has ben-efited from proximity to Gatwick Airport and the town has developed as a sub-regional centre, resulting in dynamic growth, Harlow, without the advantage of a Gatwick, has been unable to expand its office sector to the same extent.

> A ciose look at a small area Holborn, west of the City of London - by Weatherall Green and Smith shows that against a backcloth of continued economic uncertainty and a "surprisingly long period of little self-confidence" following the property market in Holborn has stood the test "reasonably

Deals are still being done, although some very hard bargains have been struck to secure tenants and in recent weeks the market has shown a marked upturn, fuelled by the return of confidence in the economy, especially in the United States, the firm concludes.

They note, however, that some buildings are still unlet after a considerable time on the market and supply is still exceeding demand, leaving no immediate prospects of rental

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Scramble for Moray shares

A scramble which developed overwhelmingly knocked that for 7 per cent of Moray Firth idea on the head.

The directors, however, do-

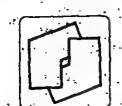
FINANCE AND INDUSTRY/SPORT

Maltings shares offered at 195p yesterday was hardly surprising not expect the price to move Just five weeks ago, a beyond 205p or 210p when takeover bid – believed to have come from Harrisons & Crosfield plantations to commodity group – valued them at 240p. Institutional shareholders, controlling 38 per cent of the group.

Mr Hugo Croft, the managing director who set up the company in 1967, close to both the barley-producing areas and Scottish Highlands distilleries, said: "Having struggled through the dramatic demand downturn in 1980, we saw no reason to let our healthy company go."

The placing capitalizes company at £12m.

In accordance with the provisions of the Placing Memorandum the terms for the issue below-were set as at 3 p.m. yesterday.



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APPOINTMENTS

New BICC director named

BICC: Mr R Clark will join the board on January 1. He will take over as chairman and managing director of BICC Industrial Products from Mr D 1 S Hinton, who becomes director of corporate planning and development. Mr D H Booth will relinquish his planning responsibilities to concentrate on his duties as chairman of BICC Cables.

Rolls-Royce: Air Chief Marshall Sir Douglas Lowe is to join the board as a non-executive

Institute of Marketing: Mr Jack Wheatley, managing direc-tor of Moore's Modern Methods, has been elected chairman of the Institute for 1983-84.

Britannia Security Group: Mr Raiph Kanter is now the group managing director.

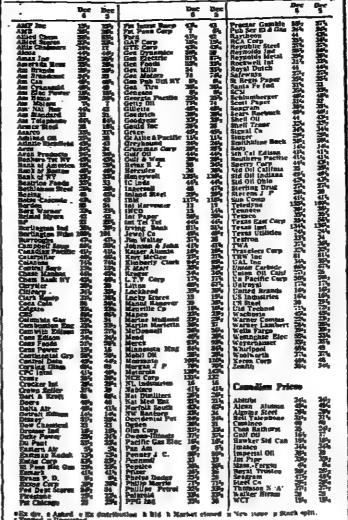
C. H. Beazer (Building C. H. Beazer (Building Materials): Mr G. Thompson is to be managing director. Mr M. W. Drown, of Westbrick, and Mr D. Bardsley, of RBS Brooklyns, join the divisional board. Mr Thompson has been elected chairman of Westbrick Mr Drown has become assistant and will be responsible for the company's product development programme. Mr D. J. Courtney has now taken responsibility for production in the South West and becomes regional director for that area. Mr M. E. C. Stedham will be joining Westbrick as technical

M&G Investment Manage-ment: Mr J. P. Allard, Mr G. P. Craig. Mr N. D. Morrison and Mr J. H. Shillingford have

Matthew Hall up 15%

Results benefited from good performance in Britain, Australia and Brazil, and a ing contractor, increased its good performance in Britain, pretax profits by more than 15 Australia and Brazil, and a per cent from £8.4m to £9.7m in rather higher than normal level the first nine months of this of contract completion Mr Michael Holliday has year despite unexpectedly losing about £2m in the US. It is been appointed director with forecasting £12.5m for 1983 as a special responsibility for corwhole against £11.6m last year. porate strategy.

WALL STREET



Avon Rubber in the black

Avon Rubber has returned to the black. In the year to end September the tyres and rubber components group made pretax profits of £2.3m against losses

of £1m last time.
All parts of the group are expected to remain profitable in the year ahead, the company said. A final dividend of 2p is being recommended, lifting the total for the year from 1p to 3p.

Base Lending Rates

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Happy Epple: the victor (right) cannot hide her joy from Epple takes the eye to win her first World Cup downhill

SKIING

From John Hennessy, Val d'Isère

Irene Epple, a West German Annemarie Moser, Marie-Therèse Nadiq and Doris de Agostini but, as she said afterwards, the block was more skier who was once Sebastion Coe's girlfriend, yesterday won her first World Cup downhill a psychological one within race after 11 years of trying. herself. It was a momentous day Miss Epple, aged 26, is a giant for her in this Olympic season.

slalom specialist by inclination having won seven of these events. But going first yester-day, she established a time for the "G" course La Daille (2,276) tomorrow," she said, "and that could be very different. It has metres long, 620 metres vertical drop) that survived the challenge of 71 other competitors.

Her time of Imin 21.72sec was slower perhaps than train-ing times had foreshadowed, but the weather had changed overnight, with a cloud cover to provide a flat light and a skitter of snow to remove the sheen of the day before.

Miss Epple, who has devel-oped an affinity for Val d'Isère over the years, with two giant slalom victories there, confessed to a mistake on the latter part of the course which took her too low into one gate, and for a moment threatened her with disqualification.

It might have seemed that she had ruined her chance, for Ariane Ehrat of Switzerland, starting in the second group, reached the intermediate point in 48.72 sec. one tenth of a second faster than Miss Epple. But Miss Ehrat clearly negotiated the closing passage less well - the German's mistake notwithstanding - and finished .008 sec outside Miss Epple's time. Caroline Attia, a tiny Frenchwoman, was third, half a second or so behind Miss Ehrat.

skiers have stood in Miss Epple's way in the last decade-

DOWNHILL: 1, I Epple (WG), 1 min 21,72 sec; 2. A Ehret (Switz), 1:21,80; 3, C Atta (Fr), 1:22,34; 4, I Soetkner (Aust), 1:22,36; 5, J Gantinerova (Czech), 1:22,46; 8, H Wenzel (Liech), 1:22,49; 7, S Eder (Aust), 1:22,54; 8, M Weillier (Switz), 1:22,60; 10, S Winkler (Aust), 1:22,81; 11, M Kiehl (WG), 1:22,84; 12, C Enonet (Fr), 1:23,65; 13, C Quittet (Fr), 1:23,01; 14, E Chaud (Fr) 1:23,07; 15, V Weilinger (Aust), 1:23,08.

but in her modest, lear-minded

way, she refused to get carried away. "There is another day

happened before when I have

been on the verge of big things.

The important point is that I've

achieved one goal today, and

For Miss Ehrat, who has a

smile to match the surroundings at Val d'Isère, amore tangible

block was removed: with the

retirement of her distinguished

compatriot. Miss de Agostini.

she now feels the way is open for a vital breakthrough. It

eluded her only narrowly

yesterday.

I've been happy about that."

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ESTIMATED RESULTS TO 30th SEPTEMBER 1983

The following are the estimated and unaudited results of the Phoenix group of companies for the nine months ended 30th September 1983 with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 1982.

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flar transactions are converted at the rate of \$1.50 for the nine months to 30th September 1983 (\$1.69 for the nine months 1982 and \$1 62 for the year 1982).

Pre-tax profits at £20.6 million were 21% higher than at 30th September 1982 and profits after tax and minorities up by 26% to £10.8 million. World-wide general business premiums for the nine months have increased by 8% in sterling or by 3% after adjustment for currency fluctuations. ivestment income is shead by 11%, 8% in original currencies,

GENERAL BUSINESS UNDERWRITING

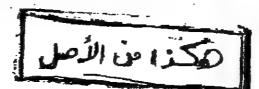
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Market conditions in the United States remain extremely difficult and the operating ratio was 115.1 compared with 171.4 for the corresponding period of 1982. The underwriting loss was £12.4 million (1982 £9.0 million) of which some £10 million was due to humbane Alicia.

In Canada the joint management arrangement with Continental Insurance is planned to take effect on the 1st January 1984. The better results from Canada and the general overseas area have been well maintain and both are in profit for the nine months. In Europe the loss is greater than at the correspond

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7th December 1983



Champion upset as Miss Durie ignores respect

Dune as disrespectful to the top seed from top players, to Ivan Lendi's Czechoslovakia sent for the leo, it was all happening in the quarter finals of the Australian Gilmour and explained, accord-Open here at historic, flaber- ing to Gilmour, that he urgently

gasted Kooyong
Miss Durie, who excitingly had taken the first set 6-4 from Miss Navratilova when rain service with some full blooded drives to lead 3-1 in the third. But she double faulted twice in one game and was 3-4 down: rallied to: 4-4; but lost a magnificent match 6-4, 3-6, 4-6.

"The only way I could win was to go for it and I nearly pulled it off. I rushed my serving on my big chance and had trouble at that windy end said Miss Durle, who very nearly climaxed a wonderful Australian season, in which she won the New South Wales Open 11 days ago, with a victory she has been declaring confidently is within her reach

was this declaration and Miss Durie's expressed belief that she could become No I in the world that caused Miss Navratilova to criticize her

afterwands. "I'm totally shocked and surprized and it upset me to hear she had been saying these things" said Miss Navratilova. She's never beaten Chris Doin & (Lloyd) or Andrea (Jeager) and is still not even ranked in the top 10 on the computer (this proved wrong when new world rankings today made Miss Durie No 8).

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"After our match was halted by rain several players came up and said 'you've got to beat her after this'", went on Miss Navratilova, adding "Maybe she's trying to make herself believe something in the hope it

will happen." This last remark, I believe, is part of the truth and anyway there is nothing wrong in a competitor "psyching herself up". Miss Navratilova herself indulged in some cocky positive thinking not long ago about expecting to be regarded as one of the great players of history and, in consequence, Mrs Lloyd dished out some of the same crbal rhubarb that today Miss.

From Jo Durie's close shot During Lendl's match on the at victory, to Martina Navrati- outer No. I court with his lova's garralous attack on Miss fellow countryman Thomas needed to use the toilet.

Scemingly Lend, who had to so to the totlet twice on Monday during his match with stopped play on Tuesday night. Patrick Cash is suffering from a lost the second set but broke tour in his bladder. Once the Australians realized that Lendl was not having them on, they built a temporary toilet surrounded by canvas at the side of court and Lendl was, given permission to leave court as often as was necessary, pro-vided he was accompanied by a supervisor and was back in 90

SUPETVISOT AND WAS BACK IN 90 SECONDS LINE.

MEN'S SINGLES
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WOMEN'S DOUBLES MECOND ROUND: M Mavastova and P Shriver (US) by B Jorden (US) and E Seyors (Aus), 6-2.

Vilas hearing starts today

Rotterdam (Reuter) - A committee appointed to deal with the appeal by Guillermo Vilas against a one-year suspension meets here today. Vilas was banned by the Tennis Council on June 8 for allegedly receiving appearance money for playing in the Rotterdam grand prix last March. He was also fined \$20,080.

The Argentine, ranked tenth in the world, has denied the allegation and a spekesman for Ahoy Sport Stadium, organizers of the Rotter-



Jo Durie shows the belief that yesterday shook Martina Navratilova in Australia

Kriek loses title grip

Melbourne (Agencies) - Johan Knek, men's singles champion here for the last two years, was beaten yesterday by Mats Wilander in the Australian Open quarter-finals. Wilander, a former French Open champion won 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 to earn a semi-final match with John

Wilander used his unerring

ccuracy and patience from the base line to frustrate the speedy little South African-born American. The Swede, who leads his country's Davis Cup squad to meet Australia in the final later this month, hurried to a 3-0 lead in the opening set after clinching a break in the first game. Knek broke back in the seventh game but Wilander replied immediately with a service break to recapture the lead.

It was Krick's first appearance or the centre court this year. All his matches had been held in the outside courts until vesterday. Kriek had complained that he always seemed to get "the raw end of the deal.". He vowed that he would never return for the event. -McEnroe showed his authority blitzing the unseeded Australian, Wally Masur, 6-2, 6-1, 6-2 in another quarter-final.

third competitor to reach the semi-finals when he disposed of his Czechoslovak colleague, Tomas Smid, the seventh seed, in a 7-6, 2-6. 6-1, 6-2 victory. Lendl now faces

Tim Mayotte, seeded 15. Wilander now must be worrying the Australian Davis Cup captain. with the final played at Kooyong starting December 26. When asked could Sweden win the cup Wilander replied: "I think so, sure". Wilander added that he could wi

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YACHTING

to sail the Atlantic

By John Nickells The next single-handed trans-atlantic race, which starts from Plymouth on June 2 next year, has been heavily over-subscribed. Organized by the Royal Western Yacht Club and sponsored by the Observer and the radio station Europe 1. catries have been limited to 100, after more than twice that number originally applied.

More than a quarter (27) of the

starters will be Americans, the next most numerous will be 23 Frenchmen and women, followed by 19 British. The race was last held in 1980, when the American winner, Phil Weld, set a new record for the passage to Newport of 17 days 23 hours, and 12 minutes.

Weld will not be defending his trophy. Now aged 69, he considers he is too old to compete with both the North Atlantic and bis rivals in what is becoming an increasingly competitive race.

The largest class will also be the biggest (45-60ft long) and includes several boats built specially for the race. Most of them are multihulls, which will be expected to lead the way across and, by winning, justify the expense to their seasons. the expense to their sponsors.

To celebrate their company's 100th anniversary, the BOC Group is to sponsor a second single-handed race round the world. The first race, which ended earlier this year, attracted 17 starters, and appeared to meet a need for this sort of long distance yachting event. The next race will start from Newport, Rhode Island, in August, 1986.

Only 10 of the original starters completed the first race, three of the yachts were abandoned, though thankfully no lives were lost. In view of the lessons learned, there have been some significant changes to the rules and conditions for the next race. All yachts will have to be fluted with waterright bulkheads and a satellite monitoring, transmitter. Size limits have been increased and Size limits have been increased, and are now from 40ft to 60ft,

Philippe Jeantot, who won the first race, intends to go again, and, on the strength of his earlier success. he has been provided with a new 60ft catamaran for the single-handed

People are Late imports and Rackemann's frantic withdrawal will help Pakistan

depend upon the fitness of Mansoor Alarm bells ringing in the Pakistani camp have been heard back home and two quality replacements have arrived manustralia in time for the third Test Mansoor broke a finger the day before the second Test in which he was expected to replace an out-of-sorts Wasim Raja in the middle. which starts here tomorrow. Their arrival will bolster flagging spirits in the tourists' ranks after an immings' defeat in the first Test and furtherorder, Raju's place appears even less tenable now at he has scored just 185 runs from ten immings on the tour. With the exception of Omar, none of the Pakistan bussides has: humilistion before being saved by the min in the second. A confidence-boosting victory over Victoria last weekend and yesterday's withdrawal of Carl Rackemann, Australia's leading wicket-taker in the series have, further improved Pakistan's shown anything in the Tests and Malik's class and enthusiasm may be just what the team needs.

Mudassar Nazzer, the opening
betsman, must surely be close to chances

Rackemenn pulled a muscle in his left side in the Sheffleld Shield match between Queensland and New South Wales at Sydney last weekend. Although the injury is not seriots. Rackemann will not be risked. He has taken 16 wickets in the previous tests at an average of 11.06.

The men flown in from Pakistan at short notice are Sarfraz Nawaz and Salcem Malik, Sarfraz arrived in time to play against Victoria and though he made no great impression, is certain to play in the Test. Malik reached Adelaude only a standard and his participation will

they did in the opening two Tests when Australia berted just once each time for scores of 436-9.

betsman, must surely be close to making a big Test score - be made a century in each innings against Victoria, bringing his tally of centuries in the state games to five from 10 innings.

Zabeer Abbas, on paper the best of the visiting butsmen, has shown little appetite for the task of trying to tame the Australian first bowling. He underlined this fact last week by to tame the Attstration into cowing, the underlined this fact last week by saying he will leave, the tour immechanely the Tests are over, thus missing the lucrative one-day international series against Australia and the West Indies.

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total on 27. Therestier, Greenings and Richards once again joined forces for a magnificiant display of stracking play, putting on 221 runs for the second wickst. The clowder chained "King. Richards," king. Richards, king. Richards as Antigua's most famous son pilled, booked, cut; and

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declared and 509-7 declared. The performances of Abdul Qadir, the leg spinner, have been disappointing with returns of 3-121 and 1-112. He must improve on these analyses if Pakistan arete lavel the auries. Rackemann's injury assures Demis-Lillee of 2 position in the side when it originally looked likely side when it originally looked likely he would be twelfth man. Geoff Lawson and Rodney Hogg will open the attack with Lillee first change. Tom Hogan, the left arm spinner, comes into the side for his second Test match. The selectors chose a squad of 13 when Rackmana's injury was brought to their notice and Graeme Wood will now be twelfth man. Wood is still timping from a blow he took on the left foot but is confident he will be fit by temorrow.

Despite Rackemann's injury everything looks rosy in the Australian dressing room, They have demoralized their opponents in the opening two Tests
Imran Khan, Pakistan's cap-

tain agrived in Sydney yesterday for tests on his injured left shin (Reuter reports). He is due to be examined

King Richards' revenge on the little princes

Jamshedpur (AFP) - The West Indies took India aback by scoring 333 runs for eight wickets off only 45 overs to win the fourth one-day cricket international assinst India cricket international against India here yesterday. India were outplayed in all departments as the West Indies won by 104 runs for their fourth successive victory of this tour. "It was a mistake for the Indians to beat us in the World Cup", the West Indies team manager. Wes Hall said.

Asked to but first by the Indian; captain. Kapil Dèv. the West Indians scored 333 runs, for eight wickets in 45 overs. setting a near

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Monte Lyuch should shortly he cleared to resume his Surrey career as an England-qualified player. After studying legal advice, the test and county Cricket Board have decided they cannot change his status to that of an overseas player

229 runs for

Zimbabwe succeeds

Moratuwa (AFP) - Zimbabwe held the upper hand at the end of the second day, in their three-day

the second day, in their three-day match against a Sri Lankam Board under-25 side here penerday. In repty to 27 Lankam were all out for 146.

Only the Sri Lankam opening buttern, Susii Fernando (48) and Sanath Kaluperuma (22), made any symptode it against. 14678 14678 14676 In the first wicket. A further for the first wicket. A further problem was that the Sri Lankan problem was tant the Sri Labdan captain. Guy de Alwis, could not but became of an injured lonce.

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Welsh and Irish gain a chance of vengeance

The cobwebs were yesterday blown away from the British championship. A new and unexpected chapter was added to the 100-year-old tournament. which will fade into the history books at the end of this season, when England were paired with Northern Ireland and Scotland with Wales in the draw for the qualifying groups of the 1986 World Cup in Mexico.

England and Scotland, who will continue their own domestic argument, agreed to close the historic event and start looking for fixtures against stronger international oppo-sition. The Irish and the Welsh, angered by the decision, will relish the opportunity that FIFA has now given them to prove their worth.

England and Northern Ireland could both go through from group three. Although Romania, one of the eight nations to reach the finals of the current European championships, represent a dangerous threat. Turkey (even though they beat the Irish some six weeks ago) and particularly Finland must be considered among the weakest sides on the group

Statistics can be a misleading guide to the future but Eng-land's past record against their four opponents presents a powerful reason for optimism. They have played them in a total of 103 internationals, won

England have never before finish second in the other four-met Turkey, have never failed team groups to play off for two to beat Finland (though there more places in the finals. are lessons to be learnt from the recent experiences against their fellow Scandinavians, Norway and Denmark) and have been beaten by Northern Ireland only twice since the last war. Their one defeat by Romania was in a World Cup qualifying tie in Bucharest three years ago. Bryan Robson, England's

Bryan Robson, England's captain, described it as "a very good draw. Romania gave us a few problems over the two games in 1980 and they did well to get through from a tough Union, Denmark, Switzerland group to the European finals. and Norway. Eion Hand, their We will have to boost our goal difference against Finland and the trip to Turkey may be more awkward than the match itself."

seven (and six of those to the for the one direct qualifying Irish). In scoring 343 goals, they place in group seven. The have conceded a mere 87.

The two British representa tives met in the qualifying stages of the 1978 World Cup. Scotland won 1-0 at Hampden Park, but the return tie, for which Wales adopted Anticld as their home, finished in controversy. Scotland won again, 2-0, but with the assistance of a

The Republic of Ireland have been thrown into a formidable group that contains the Soviet "the toughest of the lot". The incentive is there, though. Charlie Walsh, the Irish treasur-Scotland and Wales may er, revealed that each member have only two rivals, Spain and of the squad will receive £2,000 Iceland, but they are competing if they reach Mexico.

European qualifying groups

Watford's children shown up in front of the grown ups

From Clive White, Prague Sparta Praque...

Watford

(Sparta won 7-2 on aggregate) Watford's children were given an embarrassing hiding by their Czechoslovak superiors in a bitterly cold classroom here

were going to fail this examin-Their confidence, if they had any, was flattened after just two minutes by a stunning Sparta

goal, and from then on their minds and limbs slowly froze as they conceded three more in the tirst half in the face of a searching and intelligent performance by Sparta in testing conditions.

There was a chilling sen-sation of deja the way Watford naively stood off sturdy, skilful players like Berger, Jarolim and Chovanec, just as they had done in the first leg at Vicarage Road. The opening goal was a replica . Berger's a formight ago. This ime Chovanec stepped easily tround Jackett and from 25 ards struck a drive with the confidence of a carpenter banging home his nails. Sherwood, in his green jumper and black tights,s stood as still and

minutes later Berger floated a done so successfully in the past, free kick and Beznoska surged and Barnes and Richardson torward positively through filmsy challenges to head home. After half an hour, Chovanec The Czechoslovaks were only warming to their task. A noisy crowd of 33,000 got right temptation to shoot this time, behind them, even applauding Czechoslovak throw-ins, though the ball to the nifty Skuhravy, whether or not this was just to who swivelled to smack the keep the blood circulating was Watford net again.

There can be no more inaptly named

organization than the one called Supporters of Luton Town 1983. Far

from supporting the club, they appear to wish only to destroy it. They have

announced publicly that they would be

happier for the club to go out of existence than to make the proposed 20-mile move to Milton Keynes. The

organization seems committed to the moving, profoundly thoughtful, moral

philosophy which states that, if you

don't want your little brother to play

with your Action Man doll, the sensible thing to do is to disembowel Action

Man and rend him limb from plastic

The Luton board argue that the

move to Milton Keynes is essential for survival. The future lies, they say, in a

space-age stadium with a roof and no end of on-going multi-use leisure interface situation facilities.

Milton Keynes. Here they have my sympathy. Indeeds, one of the great

pleasures of my life is not going to Milton Keynes, where I subbed the Stratford Express in days of yore. The

logistics of travelling from, say, Harpenden to Milton Keynes are

The supporters don't want to go to

limb.

difficult to discern. The firm conditions meant that the ball would often sit up obligingly for a player with the imagination to strike it; Sperta did several

They trod their path so confidently that one sensed they had chosen more suitable footwear. But it was all in the yesterday afternoon. That they mind. Sparta were regularly given space within shooting ation was never in doubt, but distance outside the penalty we hoped that it would not be area and their forwards often quite so hopelessly and pain- went unhindered inside it too.



Taylor: pet on back

Sherwood knew little about shots from Beznoska and Jarolim which bounced off him like rubber snowballs.

peaceful as a Christmas tree in a snowy setting.

Watford, who were fielding sight players aged 21 or under, watford never had a chance to re-group or re-think. Six minutes later front men as they have their front men as they have the later front men as they have strode forward menacingly from a deep position but resisted a the ball to the nifty Skuhravy,

similar excitement.

enough to daunt any enthusiast, who

must interface with changes of bus and

Saturday, between the clubs then fifth and sixth in the first division, who fought it out before a "crowd" of 10,698. Perhaps it was as much

disenchantment with a club preparing to abandon its home as any organized boycott by the "supporters" group, but

those who stayed away missed a

cracker, in which the visiting Coventry lads won 4-2, thanks to some of the open-hearted generosity that is tra-ditionally diagnostic of the Luton

Increasing the losses

with their plans for a meeting of Luton season-ticket holders at which "they

will be asked to sign a pledge not to renew their tickets this summer". The notice added gloatingly: "with many advertisers and sponsors also threaten-

ing to refuse cash aid, the present £9,000 a week loss will be increased

sharply."
There are plenty of stories flying

The "supporters" leafleted the crowd

All of which brings us to a match last

Six minutes later Jarolim scored after receiving from Berger, again a delicious player. Jarolim feinted to shoot and Gibbs, nervously, and perhaps not surprisingly, turned his back the worst instead Jarolim stepped around him

and shot home despite Price's efforts on the line. Watford, to their credit in the face of a blinding snowstorm and a relentiess pressure, Sparta's stood their ground in the second half to emerge with a pat on the back from the manager, Graham Taylor. "When you come up against

something bigger, stronger and better than yourselves there's always a chance that this sort of thing can happen," he said. Sperta Prague: J Olijar, J Bielik, F Straka, M Beznoeka, Z Scasny (sub Z Prochazka), J Berger, J Jarolim, F Chovanec, S Griga (sub S Dostal), V Calta, T

Watford: S Sherwood: N Gibbs, N Price, (sub F Cassidy), K. Jackett, S Sims, P Franklin, N Calleghan, I Richardson, J Barnes, W Rostron, R Jobson (sub W Sterling).

Morley set for Albion

The Villa manager, Tony Barton said yesterday that the two clubs last "more or less agred" on the fee.

Noriey, who cost Villa 2200,000 from Buraley four and a half years ago, would be the fourth member of Villa's 1982 European Cup winning team to leave the club this year. Albian will be hoping to complete the signing in time for Moriey to play in the home game with Queen's Park Rangers on Saturday.

Nobody gains and everyone loses when supporters stay away

Does anyone want to move Luton to Milton Keynes

Snowball: Peter Schöne of Lokomotiv Leipzig (right) challenges the Sturm Graz captain, Anton Pilcher. Although Leipzig won this home UEFA cup, third round, second leg game 1-0, Sturm Graz won 2-1 on aggregate.

Sportsmanship is preserved on ice

Oxford University.....

Cambridge University... The clock was put back

yesterday. Nobody was arrested at Wembley, the school children yelled at a crescendo which made the lift-man observe that he was pleased to be old enough no longer to have any, and the centennary university match was an exciting fluctuating and tidily appropriate draw.

When a few minutes from the end Cambridge were awarded a penalty, for a trip by Craft on Harper, there was a feeling of possible harshness in the decision, but this was happily dissolved when Walsh put the kick to a convenient shoulder height for Rutledge, who took off so early he was almost over the cross-bar before the ball left

With honourable objectivity, Harper later admitted he would have to tell his great-grand-children that, on this historic day, even he could say it might not have been a penalty. It would certainly have been inequitable for Oxofid to have lost on that one issue.

On a pitch two-thirds of which was still bone hard and giving off a puff of frost flakes every time the ball bounced, the play was of a commendable siandard. Oxford dominatin the first phase of each half. Cambridge the second. If Cambridge's attack, with Harper and Crook down the flanks supplying able assistance to Aspinwall, was the more fluent and imaginative in close, angled play on such a difficult surface, Oxford's direct running and power regularly threatened a suspect Cambridge defence.

Once Cambridge began accurately to knock the ball around, they reflected the ability sug-gested by their recent results, and Oxford's two midfield men, Smyth and Edbrooke, found themselves outmanoevered by Cambridge's quartet. Marshall was shrewdly switching play with Whyte, Walsh, Crook and

about to add to the state of confusion

and resentment that could yet over-

businessmen keen to buy out the present board and keep the club in

Luton; another involves threats to sell off Luton's more spectacularly gifted players to build financial barriers against such an invasion, a story

naturally followed by stories of David

Pleat, the team manager, vowing to resign if such a thing came to pass.

Obviously, the stories continue, he will

All of which meant that Pleat was in a cautious as well as chastened mood after Saturday's match. "I'm wary of

being misquoted on this issue; but I do

think that the more people who come here, the greater the depth of feeling they show for the club to remain here. I

can't see the sense in staying away. I'd like them to come." He added, somewhat plaintively: "There's always a lot of goals here."

Self-creating superleague

There has been much talk of superleagues of late, prompted by the de facto dominance of the big clubs in

get the Arsenal job.

whelm the club. One features a group of

Aspinwali all went reasonably close, and on the baif-hour Harper blazed only inches too high from the worst foothold on the pitch.

A minute later, following a header by Harper, Aspinwall headed the equalizer, but approaching half-time it was clear that Pollock would need to be replaced as Oxford pressed again; Knight came out as substitute for the second half, and almost immediately Aspinwall put Cambridge ahead with a perfectly flighted, curling shot over Rutledge.

Yet just when it might have been supposed that Cambridge would take advantage of the end with a better attacking foothold, Oxford, withdrawing forces more into midfield, began to make telling counter-attacks against a defence occasionally caught slow, square and slippy. After Marshall had headed off the line, Husselbee put Oxford level as Ed Brooke back-headed on the near post, and only a desperate tackie by Hudson kept out Grant.

In the last quarter of the match Evans replaced Marshall, Cambridge once more had the dge, Walsh and Evans might have scored - and there was of course the penalty.



competitions:

Manchester United, Tottenham Hot-

spur and a few others seem to carve up

the cake as they like. The remarks of the Birmingham City manager, Ron Saunders, were much to the point: "Five or six top clubs have the ability to buy all the cream. They will get

richer, and the rest of us will get poorer.

It was a delight, then, to watch two

clubs keeping such a day of doom at bay, two clubs quite definitely from the

Clark Kent league. Buried deep, in a time capsule, in the desk of The Times sub-editor, Vince Wright, are the entries for the great Times predictions

competition. Among other terrifying

tasks, we fellow hacks are required to predict the clubs to be relegated from

the first division. How many of us, I wonder, have placed Coventry, totally

dismantled and stuck together with

Sellotape in the summer, and Luton, missing out on relegation last season by a mere whisker, in that category?

I hope we are still blushing at the end

The superleague is creating itself."

Sounding a charge for Whitby attack

Tony Lee, the manager of Whitby Town, is in no doubt about the tactics he will use when his side travel to Wigan Athletic on Saturday in the second round of the FA Cup. "We are going to attack", he said. "We know we are the underdogs, but if we were to go and defend hoping to draw or sneak a win, we would lose. We watched Wigan and feel they have weaknesses at the back that we can expoit.'

Lee's confidence is based on the 46 goals his team have scored this season in 16 matches in the Northern League which they lead, and the 23 they have hit in six FA Cup games. In the last round they recovered from a 2-0 deficit to win 3-2 at Halifax Town, the first victory over a league side in the club's 87 year history. Whitby's attack is led by Phil

Linacre, aged 21, who has scored 12 of his 27 goals this season in FA Cup matches. Earlier in the year, his hopes of a full-time career in football seemed over when he was released by Hartlepool United. Since joining Whitby, however, he has attracted the attention of Newcastle United, who have

Lyall still has faith in Cottee

Tony Cottee has been reassured by the West Ham United manager, John Lyall, that he will not be dropped after missing three fine chances in the 2-0 extra time Cup defeat at Everton on Tuesday

West Ham mow face a fight to get their injured players fit for the important home League game with Arsenal on Saturday, Alan Devonshire missed the Everton march with a hamstring strain while Whitton (calf injury) and Stewart (bruised hip) joined Bonds. God-dard and Allen on the casualty list.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS MILK CUP: Fourth round reptay: Everton 2 West Ham United 0 (set: score after 90 min 0-0; Everton away to Manchester United or Oxford United

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Dartiord 3. Cup: Third round replay: Witney 0, Gloucester 2. CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Wednaday 1, West Bromwich Albien 5. Second division: Sheffield Wednaday 1, West Bromwich Albien 5. Second division: Sheckool 2, Bernsley 0. FOOTBALL COMENTATION: Fullum 1. Brighton 1; Swindon 2. Southerspoon 3. BT. THEAN LEAGUE: Premise division: Herris 2. Sough 1; Hitchin 1, Laytonstone and Illord . First division: Famborough 3, Walton and Herstem 2: Maldersheed United 1, Hampton 2. Second division: Confutber-Casuals 2. Laterworth 0; Eastbourne United 0, Dording 5: Finchey 0, Eghten 2; St. Albans 4, Hernistad 1. Cup: Third round: Averley 0. Eghten 2; St. Albans 4, Hernistad 1. Cup: Third round: Averley 2. Clupton 2. Besidon 3: Dulwich Hamlet 2. Clupton 2. Besidon 3: Dulwich Hamlet 2. FA VASE: Second round replay: Uzbridge 3,

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Moscow Spartak defeated sparta Rotterdam 2-0, foiling a ast-minute Dutch penalty to reach the quarter-final round Gladilin scored both goals for Spartak, the first in the 42nd minute and then again in the

side and are likely to offer him a contract when Whitby's Cup

run is over.
Three other Whitby players,

Hampton, Smith and Lawrence

had League experience with

Hartlepool, and Lovatt made

four appearances for Derby

County. The experience of the rest of the side is mostly limited

to the Northern League, in which nearly all the leading

non-League clubs in the north-

business, has been manager of

Whitby for more than three

what a cup run can do to a club and a town", he said. "Last week more than 1,000 people watched us draw with Blyth and

before the match there were lads

all around the town wearing our

colours. I'd never seen anything

like that before in Whitby."

More than 1,000 Whitby

supporters travelled to Halifax

and up to 1.500 are expected at

Wigan, where they have every reason to be confident. Whitby,

beaten only once this season, have reached this stage of the

Cup despite being drawn away

five times out of six and Wigan,

who a decade ago were the most

famous Cup giant-killers in the

country, have already been

beaten at home four times

Lee, aged 36, who runs a taxi

"I know from my days there

east play.

MILAN (AP) - The Italian tribunal have disqualified West German player Hansi Müller for three matches for hitting an opponent during last Sunday's match between Avelling and Internazionale.

Austrians

lose but

still go

through

Sturm Graz, of Austria moved into the quarter-final round of the UEFA Cup

yesterday despite a second-leg 1-0 defeat by FC Leipzig of East Germany. The Austrians

had beaten Leipzig 2-0 in the

first leg.
About 20,000 people watched

in the Rudolf Plache Stadium as

Zoetsche scored from twenty

yards in the 12th minute. The

East Germans kept attacking throughout the match played in windy weather on a field partly

Sturm Graz, cheered by a small crowd of home supporters, prevented further scor-

ing with a fine performance by

covered with snow.

the goalkeeper, Saria.

As a result, Müller, who plays in midfield for the Milanese side Internazionale, will miss crucial championship matches against Fiorentina, Juventus and Verona, He will be back into the Italian first division on .ไฮมนลรง ซิ.

The club was considering fining Müller heavily as an additional punishment. Müller punched the Avelling defender Biagini in the face in the final stages of the match, and minutes after he had been sent off, Avellino scored an equalizer. Disqualification from the Italian championship did not prevent Müller from playing in ast night's UEFA Cup match against Austria Vienna.

Inter played Austria Vienna at Meazza Stadium in Milan in their third-round second leg

Derby aim for private cash

Derby County withdrew their request for financial help from Derby City Council yesterday and sensounced that they now intend to pursue possibilities in the private sector to see them through their money troubles. The council were due to make a decision on Derby's request at a special meeting on Thursday, but Derby have sked for the matter to be dropped.

In a letter to the council leader, Mick Walker, the Derby chairman, John Kirkland said: "We now fee we can effect econmomies and explore other avenues of short term financial asistance." The club will

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IN BRIEF

Kaylor fined £500 for late punches

Mark Kaylor, the British and Offices He showed video-recordings of the Wembley incident in which Kaylor his his opponent, Antonio Cerda, after the bell in a contest at Wembley Arena on November 22. The money was taken out of an estimated purse of £6,000 by the Southern Area Council of the Southern Area Council of the Boxing board of Control after evidence had been given at the Boxing in London last night by Harry Gibbs, the referre, Kaylor, and Terry Lawless, his manager.

Lawless was given permission to set up a television in the board's Control and Terry Lawless, his manager.

Mark Kaylor, the British and Offices He showed video-recordings of the Wembley incident in which the Change of the Wembley incident in which Kaylor hit his opponent twice after the bell in the ninth round, and similar incidents from three other voted Swiss sportsman of the year total Swiss sportsman of the year total Swiss sportsman of the year for the second successive year. CYCLING: Urs Freuler has been voted Swiss sportsman of the year for the second successive year. Doris de Agostini, last season's World Cup downhill skiing chamber they were going to fine me the whole after the proposed of Control after they were going to fine me the whole after when they held back from my purse on the night."

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BOXING: BRUNO IS WALTZED TO TOP TEN TUNE

A South African trapdoor for a pantomime king?

old show business about boxing but there was a large helping of farce when the 16st Walter Santemore, of New Orleans, standing 6ft 51/2in, met Frank Bruno on Tuesday night

One moment the American was doing the Riverboat Shuffle and the next he was dancing on tiptoe. He hit Bruno everywhere but on the target, and when in the fourth round the local hero sent him flying with a blow high on the head, it looked more like an exit into the wings than a knockout. I had half expected the big flabby American to be winched up on wires and disappear like a pantomime fairy into the dome of the Albert Hall.

If that was boxing, then I must be Mother Goose!

When one looks at Santemore's experience of two and a half years as chief sparring partner of Gerry Cooney, and his win over Ernie Shavers, his defeat at the hands of John Tate and James Quick Tillis, and this year a points defeat by Eddie Santemore's performance makes no sense.

The Bruno supporters who came to see him hammer the meet Gerrie Coetzee, if the Louisiana giant, loved every moment of it, but television viewers will have found little to cheer. It was clear that the scar tissue on Santemore's face would not stand up to Bruno's punchés, and it was not long before blood was pouring from

There may be a touch of the Santemore's left eyebrow and cheek. There had hardly been enough action to cause such.

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Thereafter, the big America either went into a solo dance routine or grabbed hold of Bruno and made him his partner for a slow waltz. It was pathetic after this to see such a big man hit the floor from a punch that most good heavyweights would have taken in their stride.
After the bout, Bruno said

that he was going to have a rest. This was strange, coming fom a fitness fanatic who lives for boxing. He seemed to have had enough of boxing in Britain. But he believes that people are just waiting for him to be pulled down. He wants to go to America to get away from it all, and box there. His elevation to the top ten of the World Boxing Association list should bring him paying work the other side of the Atlantic, if he does hop on a plane.

Because of the WBA's connexions with South Africa and. the sudden appearance of Bruno in their ratings, it would not surprise me if, as an official world contender, he even had an offer from South Africa to world champion's match, with Holmes for the undisputed world title does not come off. As a top black boxer, Bruno could slot neatly into the South African propaganda machine. If he were to be offered, say, a



Bruno: thinks people are just waiting for his fall

meet Coetzee in Sun City, Boxing clever Bophuthatswana, South Africa, what would be do? He could take on the South African and knock him out - he certainly has the punch to do it - or could still be beaten by Coetzee, have a suitcase full of dollars and still have his whole career ahead of him at 21.

Hats off to Coetzee

Johannesbury (Router) - Gerrie Coetzee of South Africa, the World Boxing Association heavyweight champion, was accused yesterday of administering a deliberate snub to the South African press after he failed to attend a benquet at which he was due to be hosoured as the aports star of the year. Coetzee's silver trophy was presented instead to his father, Flip Coetzee, by the visiting British Conservative Member of Parliament, John Carlisle.

Eight national champions an included in West Germany's amateur boxing team to me England at Hull on December I The super-heavyweight, Peter Husing has been national champio since 1969, Stefan Gertel has wo five bentamweight championships and the middleweight, Diete Weinand, three. Only four of the England side that defeated United States 7-5 last month will reappear

Today's fixtures

POOTSALL Oct-off 7.30 unless stated FA YOUTH CUP: Second room ton Wandares v Bernsley (7.0); Shoftle Wednedey v Weiselt; Cheline v Charlic Addess (7.0); AP Leanthquid Brighton and Hot Albien v Monatch City (7.15); Darby Country Coventry City (7.0). Second roses replie Setsdon 7 mm V Soumarration.

RUGBY UNION OTHER SPORT:

A golfer who repented and gained maturity

The new Brown is ready for export

indicted for "not trying". In the 1979 Ryder Cup match he refused to communicate with his partner, Des Smyth. The result? A seven and six hammering from Hale Irwin and Tom Kite, a £1,000 fine and a one-year international disqualification.

Then, in the 1981 Martini International, he was "sacked" by his caddie. Infuriated by Brown's inept performance, the caddie stalked off the Wentworth course in midround. He charged his employer with lack of effort and chastized him for his insouciance. Brown did not deny the

In fact, he remained unrepentant. That is, until this year. Last winter, at home in Harpenden, he took stock of his life. His career had yielded one win, the Carrolls I ish Open in 1978, for almost 10 years hard labour as a professional. And it had been hard labour. Few golfers frequent the

practice ground like Brown. From this self-examination emerged an acceptance that his own foolishness was diluting his talent. "What happened at the in 1979 was as quite ridiculous," Brown says now. He



Brown: out of the rough at last

Britain and Ireland won was in 1956.

Road to Curtis Cup win

The captain of the British Curtis Cup team, Diane Bailey does not think it will take too great an effort for her players to end

America's domination of the competiton at Muirfield in June. The

The squad of 12 has just had two days together, at Moon Valley, receiving help from John Jacobs, the former Ryder Cup captain. They will meet again at Muirfield in April, after which the team

United States hold a 19-3 lead in the series and the last time

chides himself. "I should have been sent

"But the real problem was much deeper. I was living with a negative approach which sometimes led to silly statements. "Strangely it helped when Hitachi

offered to sponsor me at the start of this year. That suggested that a company actually had faith in me. And I began to work on being more positive, recalling situations with greats like Gary Player. With his never-say-die approach you can rarely go wrong."

His negative approach stemmed from a belief that he needed to protect himself from failure. It was a self-destructive philosophy. At Muirfield in 1980 he entered the last round of the Open sharing second position. Unfortunately, Tom Watson was the man ahead of him - four

strokes shead of him at that.
Brown faced the press and inevitable barrage of questions relating to his prospects of winning. With one sentence he silenced the gathering. "Look, I haven't got a chance", he muttered.
"Watson ahead of me. Lee Trevino level

That evening Brown sat morosely in the seclusion of his private world. It seemed like that with him quite a lot of the time. In reality it was his shyness that held him

Like a good wine Brown needed the years to mature. And when the cork was popped on his 1983 campaign it quickly became apparent that at last he was ready. He won the Kenya Open on the safari circuit. Then came success in the Dutch Open and by the end of the European season he was seventh in the official money list, compared with twenty-third in

1982. What mattered even more to Brown was that a £4,000 investment to participate in the US PGA tour school paid off. Last month he won the right to compete on next year's American circuit.

He earned his card first by finishing fifth in a 72-hole regional qualifying event at Bear Creek, Dallas, where only the leading 12 of 120 competitors progressed.

The came the 100-hole final qualifier on the demanding Tournament Players' Championship course at Sawgrass in Florida where he comfortably earned his dream ticket. And he insisted: "I played

only reasonaby. But I tried like hell. I didn't give up. Not once. Not on one shot. "That's the difference. It's a more relaxed attitude and a positive approach which has been the key. It didn't allow me to function. In each round there are crunch times, moments of crisis, and in the past when I came face to face with mine it meant disaster."

Mañuel Piñero and Jose Canizares of Spain defend their World Cup title against 31 other two-man teams beginning at the immaculate 7,000-yard Pondok Indah

course in Jakarta today.

Ken Krown and Bernard Gallacher will represent Scotland in the absence of Sandy Lyle, who won the individual title in 1988. England, without Nick Faldo, rely on Gordon Brand senior and Brian Waites. Eamons Durcy and Roban Rafferty represent Ireland and Ian Woosnam and David Vaughau play for Wales.

When he returns from Indonesia next week after representing Scotland in the World Cup, Brown will barely have time to celebrate Christmas and the New Yea at home with his girlfriend, Dawn, before preparing for the American circuit. "I'm card holder number 145 which

means that I should be able to tee up next week on their all-exempt tour." But as a precaution I've written to several sponsors secking invitations. "I'm looking forward to the challenge.

My basic aim is to play the mandatory 15

events and make enough dollars to keep my card. If you like, I'll be following the pattern set by Nick Faldo over the last couple of years. And, if all goes well, then I'll probably only play the bigger events in Europe."
What is most refreshing about Brown is

that he regards the Ryder Cup as the high spot of his year of individual success. "I played well, but what gave me greater satisfaction is that I enjoyed the whole week," he says. "The only disappointment was that we didn't win. But we proved it's only a matter of time.

They might have to watch out on their own circuit in the new year when Brown joins the European task force led by Severiano Ballesteros and Faldo. Mitchell Platts

Lane's world title shot

Barry Lane, who has struggled for financial survival since he turned professional seven years ago, can become a world chang this week. The Downshire golfer, aged 23, has a chance of wim the inaugural world assistants title, sponsored by Feetjoy in Orlando, Florida.

Lane, who has had to attend the European tour qualifying sche five times, earned the trip by winning the United Kingdom title, also sponsored by Footjoy, at Coombe Hill in August. He will be playing for a first prize of £3,000.

RUGBY LEAGUE

British to be fit for **Australians**

By Keith Macklin

For the first time ever, a Great Britain touring team will take with them a "fitness consultant". Yesterday at a meeting of the Rugby League Council in Leeds, it was decided that the normal tour management team for the 1984 trip to Australasia will include Rod McKenzie, senior lecturer in physical education at Carnegie College, Leeds. The manager will be Dick Gemmell, the coach Frank Myler and the physiotherapist, Rennie Barritt. An assistant manager will be selected next month. A touring party of 30 players,

be selected nearer the time, wil be sponsored by Modern Maintenance Products to the sum of £100,000 during the trip to Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea

Starting in May.

Starting in May.

Fears that Bramley would have to wind up mounted yesterday as Stephen Gale, their solicitor, starting in May.

Fears that Bramley would have to wind up mounted yesterday as Stephen Gale, their solicitor, admitted they were going ahead with plans to liquidate at a shareholders' meeting in Leeds "We have not had any success with our efforts to save the club," said Mr Gale. "We have no alternative but to prepare to liquidate."

TENNIS: Silk Cut are sponsoring their inter-club championships again next year. The event will be played throughout the summer with players competing for prized worth almost £9,000.

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IN BRIEF

Yorkshire support for Appleyard peace plan the recent Scandinavian Open, 21-14, 21-18 in the semi-finals.

ATHLETICS: Steve Ovett has

extended his sponsorship agreement with U-Bix for a third year. Overtiplans to spend March and April in Australia but has nithing ast for early 1984. "I take things as they come", he said. "I didn't know until last Wednesday that I would do a 10 illegate that a special section.

kilometres road race in Batters

last Sunday."

Lincols Asquith, gold medal winner in the 100 metres at the Euripean junior championships this year, has been awarded the Ken Allright Trophy, as the junior with

GYMNASTICS: Lisa Young, sged 17, from Whitchurch, Shropshire replaces the injured Natalie Davies in Britain's team for the Coca Cola international at Wembley this

SQUASH: Deamie Marray, the

most capped player in Welsh history, has been forced into retirement because of injury. Miss Murray, aged 34, who has been Welsh number one for 10 years and

has won 56 caps, has a knee injury which is so severe she cannot train.

HOCKEY: Loughborough University beat Leeds University 8-1 in the UAU Challenge yesterday. Two goals up at half-time, Loughborough dominated from then on.

Strong support for what has become known as the "Appleyard peace plan" came last night from Reg Kirk, one of Yorkshire Cricket Club's leading members involved in the strengt to bring about the reinstatement of Geoff Boycott.

reinstatement of Geoff Boycott.

The former Yorkshire and England bower, Bob Appleyand has proposed that Boycott should be engaged for one more year, and but No 5 in the order.

Mr Kirk, Hull's representative in the club's general committee and also a leading member of the pro-Boycott group, Yorkshire Members 1984, said: "Tm didappointed to see that the committee are making no that the committee are making no efforts to find a peaceful solution when, by their own admission, the cost of this dispute is now around

£25,000. I, and my colleagues, think that Bob Appleyard's suggestion would be acceptable to 90 per cent of the membership."

TENNIS: Silk Cut are sponsoring

RALLYCROSS

Martin Schanche, three times European champion, has surveiled the car le hopes will take him to victory in this weekend's British Rallycross Grand Prix, spousored by Motaquip, at Brands Hatch. The Norwegian has prepared a MK3 Ford Escort which could prove more than a match for the Andi Quattros and Pornehes.

Procelled by a powerful 1800cc

Quattros and Poraches.

Propelled by a powerful 1800cc turbo-charged engine, the Escon's secret lies in a specially-developed four-wheel drive arrangement which like the Quattro, endows it with outstanding traction and acceleration – prime factors in Rallycross. The car has been built by Gartra

attracted entries from all over Europe. Since unveiling the new Escort, Schanche has become favourite to beat Rolf Nilsson (Porsche), last year's winner, and Olle Arnesson (Andi Quattro), the current European champion. British hopes rest with Thever Hopkins, last year's runner, and his Pharmonic last year's runner, are his Pharmonic last year's runner, and his Pharmonic last year's runner, and his Pharmonic last year's runner, and his Pharmonic last ph

Schanche unveils his latest

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Fabrications, of Godalming, mang Takspeed engine from Germany.

The two-day grand prix meeting the top event in rallycross, is attracted entries from all over

year's runner-up, in his Plasmor Fiesta, Keith Rups, the reigning British champion, also in a Fiesta, and John Welch in a turbo-charged TOTE: Whe SA. R. Phones: E2.50, E2.50

RACING: JOCKEY CLUB NAME RIDERS INVOLVED IN RACE-FIXING

Aintree's longest runner will be brought down next year

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent After years and years of community well for 365 days a

ment of a replacement for the

current general manager, Rode-

rick Fabricius, who will leave

next May to concentrate on his

work at Goodwood, where he is

clerk of the course and general

is an inspired one.

A former leading amateur

his roots firmly established in

the morht-west and he is

Park where his company, Greenall Whitley, sponsor a big

steeple chase annually. This

year Greenall has shown his

feeling in depth for the sport by

undetaking to organize Ron Barry's testimonial which is the

With another leading amatu-er rider Christopher Collins as

chairman the new Aintree

board will certainly have its

Next year's meeting will be Fabricius's last after a run of

eight years.
As for the course itself, work

has been underway for some

considerable time in a way that

would never have been possible

when its future was still

shrouded in uncertainty. Over

£30,000 has been spent on

general improvements includ-

ing the re-string of the perimiter fencing by the central course

enclosure so increasing its size

Aintree racecourse was pur-

chased in May by the trustees of chase on Final Argument.

first of its kind in racing.

finger on the pulse.

by 50 per cent.

Uttoxeter

1.0 SUDBURY CHASE (5-y-o: novices: £1,103: 2m 1f) (8 runners)

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3 Cattle Brew, 4 Hope Of Oak, 5 Fary Boy, 13-2 Mr Marisbridge, 8 Ladges Fortune,

Carlisle

12.45 CALDBECK HURDLE (Div I: novices: £621: 2m 830yd) (13 minners)

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ARPAL DAMBLISTER (R Adams Left) G Richards 5-11-5

COOL ANDY (H Rebenton) H Rebanton 5-11-5

FOOL ANDY (H Rebenton) H Rebanton 5-11-5

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PESSELE ISLAND (Mrs R Doccher) G Richards 4-11-2

RISHING FLING (C Ball) C H Bell 4-11-2

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LECRET LAKE (D MacDonald) D MacDonald 4-11-2

1.15 ASPATRIA HURDLE (selling: 2515; 2m 330yd) (8)

Hexham results

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1.15 SATTLE HILL HUROLE (miling: handoup. 9012m)

2.0 DECEMBER CHASE (handicap: £1,892: 2m 4f) (11)

2.30 TOTE CHASE (novices: 22.256: 3m 2f) (12)

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041-121 MARTER TENCEL (C) (T Balmer) J Spearing 7-11-8 ...
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22241 KEEP A PROMISE (G A Farmdon) Capt J Wilson 5-11-2 ...

iready a steward at Haydock

The appointment of Greenall

ancertainty Aintree and the year instead of racing for just Grand National may at last be safe, but not so those age old rickety stands which have wimessed so many remarkable happenings during the history of this unique race. Next year is likely to be the last that we will

Having been checked and passed for safety by the local authority, they will be used for the 1984 meeting which will run from March 29 – 31. But after that they are likely to be pulled down. In consultation with professional advisers decisions have already been taken in principle for the demolition of ne Tattersalls and Silver Ring stands after next year's meeting, subject to permission being granted in relation to historic

It is expected that the demolition of the County Stand will follow soon afterwards. Temporary stands constructed on scaffolding not unlike those which have proven so successful at Open golf championships, may replace them. It is felt that along with a tenteed village of the sort which is now a successful feature at the Cheltenham National Hunt Festival they will suffice.

The idea of another new permanent stand being built during the next decade has not been thrown out, but for the time being it can only be a pipedream. With racing's overall finances in their present parlous state the likelihood of the newly - structured Aintree Racecourse Company being able to find sufficient funds to be able to underwrite the cost of worthwhile construction must be remote.

However the door has not een shut on the idea because there is still a faint possibility that a muti-purpose building could be built in harmony with the Merseyside County Council,

Champion again

Yves Saint-Martin ensured victory in the French jockeys' title when he rode Mallarci to win the Prix de Cabries at Marseilles yesterday. He now leads his main rival, Preddie Head, by 124 victories to 122. and with just one race remaining for the season at Marseilles on Saturday, cannot be caught. Saint-Martin has won the "Cravache D'or" 15 times. He was first champion in 1960 -the year Lester Piggott took the first of his 11 titles.



Aintree Board

Grand National appeal for £3.4m. That figure was made up by £2m from the trust, £1m on

John Francome will be hoping for more winners at Uttoxeter today as he sets about the task of reducing John O'Neill's long lead at the top of the table. Nialan (3.0), who has been runner-up to Absaroke and Jowoody this season and Morvern (3.30) should oblige.

Next year the Grand National will be sponsored for so long as my selection does not first time by Seagram Distillers whose decision to mistake that cost him so dearly become involved financially at Wolverhampton recently. On when negotiations between that occasion, he had only to representatives of the Jockey jump the last fence to win, but Club and the course's former he failed to do so, and feli. owner, Bill Davies, had reached Meanwhile, at Carlisle, O'Neill looks to have a good a critical stage last spring now

Chris Collins: one of the two

leading amateur riders on the

an interest-free loan from the Levy Board repayable over a maximum of 15 years and £400,000 from Seagrams, who rider on two occasions he has at the same time undertook to sponsor the National for a minimum of five years. At that time considerable sums had been promised but not yet received by the Grand National So Racecourse Holding's

Trust, which is Aintree's parent company, were obliged to borrow the balance in order to enable the trustees to complete the purchase. Most of those borrowings have been repaid, but now it transpires that some donations to the appeal which had been promised have not been forthcoming. That means that there could still be a shortfall of some £200,000.

However, Kyoto, his mount in the Sudbury Novices' Steeplechase, is likely to be thwarted by Gamble Hall, just

appears to have been an even chance of at least countering Francome's ever-menacing challenge by winning the greater bonus than it looked at-

Cumwhinton Handicap Steeple-

Jockeys to face bribery charges

Three leading jockeys are to appear before racing's overlords, the appear beaute inting 5 over loves, the Jockey Club, in connection with allegations of bribery Billy Newnes, Nigal Day and Brian Taylor were

by Racecourse Security Services into the claim by a national newpaper of race-fixing an the Flat. The newspaper alleged that a number of jockeys received gifts or money from a wealthy Derbyshire gambler, Hurry Bardelly.

The Jockey Club said in a statement: "As a result of investigations carried out by Racecouse Security Services into a national newspaper allegations of bribery, the Stewads of the Jockey Club confirm that Mr Billy Newnes, Mr Nigel Day, Mr Brian Taylor and Mr Harry Bardsley will appear before the disciplinary committee in due course, in respect of possible course, in respect of possible breaches of the rules of racing "No date has yet been arranged for these inquiries, but in the interests of the public they will be

if the allegations are substantiated all three could lose their licences to ride. In August The San reported that Mr Bardsley has alleged that he had 15 jockeys on his payroll prepared to take part in race-fixing. All the jockeys named were then interviewed by Peter Smiles, head of Racecourse Security Services the turf's "police force." The statements were passed to the Director of Public Prosecutions but

Boreen Deas surprises

Michael Connungham was asked to appear before the stewards at four-year-old, Boreen Deas, had provided a 33-1 surprise by beauing some of Ireland's best jumpers in the Racehorse Trainers Association writes. He explained that Boreen Deas did not go well for Seamus Brady in his previous race and that the substitution of Joe Byrne resulted in the horse running a John O'Neill came over to renew his pertnership with the recent Ascot winner Dawn Run, and the

Ascoi winner Dawn Run, end the parinership attempted to make all the running Dawn Run was never allowed to build up a commanding lead, however, and, as she started to tire between the final two flights. Boreen Deas emerged as a strong challenger. Dawn Run made her only jumping mustake at the last and this gave the initiative to the younger horse who went away to score by three lengths.

The disappointment of vester-The disappointment of yester-day's race was this year's Champion Hurdle runner-up. Boreen Prince

-3.0- ROCESTER HURDLE (3-y-o novices: 2690: 2m 4f) (16) JENNIE PAT J. Thompson Farms Lett G Richards 11-3 J Hensan 4
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3.30 ASHBOURNE HURDLE (4-y-o handicap: £1,372: 2m 1f) (13) 36 ASHBOURNE HURDLE (4-y-o handidap: £1,372: 2m 17) (13)
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5 00040- CUNET JUSTICE (B) (A Caribom) K Morgen 10-0
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Uttoxeter selections

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Carlisle selections

By Michael Phillips 12.45 Pebble Island. 1.15 Missy Mirage. 1.45 Final Argument. 2.15 Sam Wrekin. 2.45 Vitriolic. 3.15 On Leave.

2.45 EASTGATE HURDLE (Ameteurs: novices: Februione Lad (100-30 tay). Faidor (33-1) 48). 2732-2m 41)
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John Reeve, head of the education As museums try to reach out as teacher, finding himself "in remote department at the British Museum.

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They agreed, and within days I had to become an instant expert on the subject, down to finding out that heavily hairy. Assyrians were probably wearing wigs, the Ancient Egyptians were certainly bald underneath."

The department, currently with four full-time teaching staff, has a mammoth task in interpreting the the whole community. Pressure has museum's international treasures. It also come from educational establishis running courses this winter in subjects from women in Greece and Rome to Roman Britain, and, for the first time, Korea. Education has become a key word in the museum

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The National Trust has an education department, now examining new areas for interpretation through music dance, film and literature, as music dance, film and literature, of commons has an education officer, as have some 300 national, local and independent museums and galleries.
Ironbridge has set up an Institute of

Industrial Archaeology with the University of Birmingham, which also provides external courses. Another recent move was the appointment of a former educational television presenter, Pat Keysell, as a mime artist in residence - possibly the first - at Kendal's Brewery Arts Centre. She is producing seasonal cobarets using young and mature talents gleaned from schools and the wider community.

Although the residency is specialist, is symptomatic of a trend. Museums are setting aside rooms for education, preparing audio-visual displays, and sending out materials to

to a wider audience, the demand grows for teachers to bridge the divide, writes Ann Hills

schools. For this work they need staff with appropriate backgrounds. Museums usually come under administration of "leisure" departments, and their teachers are expected to serve ments to make collections accessible.

The Horniman Museum education department, run by the chairman of the Group for Education in Museums (GEM), Dr Elizabeth Goodhew, illustrates the problems and possibilities. The three full-time staff are supplemented by adult education tutors and lecturers in special interests

one does a Saturday recorder workshop.

Lack of funding has held back expansion in the museum education field, despite heavy demand, but there have been other outside sources of finance. These include friends of galleries, and sponsorship - BP paid for education materials for the Welleome collection at the Science Museum, Manpower Services Commission programmes have also helped to create many one and two-year appointments.

John Reeve's career serves as a solid example. From Cambridge, with a history degree, he went to Avon and became a history teacher, eventually developing his own CSE courses based on local historical research. That took him to the Castle Museum in York - "a fascinating collection" -

valleys on the way to schools with a suit of armour or a Victorian dress in the car". Now he's at a peak in career terms and editor of the Journal of Education in Museums (issue five is due in the spring), published by GEM.

His advice on finding a way into education in museums is aimed mainly at teachers, although anyone from a potter to a naturalist may have marketable skills with some teaching experience. Would-be museum educators should freelancing - lecturing or working on holiday projects or evening classes. Offer particular know-ledge about part of a collection. Funds may be available from education authorities or under government schemes, as for inner cities, for particular sessions.

Appropriate skills can be gained at university. Manchester has a course in the fine and decorative arts. At Leicester University the Department of Museum Studies has been expanded. The main course is a year long. The Institute of Education at University of London has made a study of museums, galleries and the school part of its postgraduate work. This year there's a new diploma course focusing on three major international

museums in London. You can find out more about the field from the Museums Association, which advertises posts in its monthly bulletin, monitors developments, publishes a factsheet on careers in museums and a datasheet on educational and children's activities in museums.

GEM produces literature, from the quarterly newsletter to a handlist of museum education services in the British Isles and membership is open to anyone interested.

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Michel Syrett summarizes the latest changes in social security benefits: the unemployment benefit basic weekly rate has gone up from £25 to £27.05. The additional allowance for a spouse of "housekeeper" has risen from £15.45 to £16.70. The supplementary benefit basic weekly allowance for a single person has increased from £25.70 to £26.80. Savings will now only disqualify claimants if they total £3,000 or more. In addition, the surrender value of an existing life assurance policy of up to £1,500 will not be treated as part of this limit. Any amount above that will be counted towards the main £3,000

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November also saw new rules the discrimination facing couples claiming benefits. In some cases either

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benefit. A couple can now claim the family income supplement if either partner is in full-time work previously the man had to be working. In addition, married women will be able to claim some dependants' benefits for their husbands and children, which was not previously possible. Full details are contained in a new DHSS leastet New ways of claiming for couples (NI 248), available from local DHSS offices. unemployment benefit offices. Citizens Advice Bureaux, post offices or public libraries.

Elisabeth Baker writes: New help for coming to Burton-on-Trent. A group of leading companies and banks there have got together with the East Staffordshire District Council and the Burton District Chamber of Commerce. They are sponsoring an enterprise agency, set up in a converted grain warehouse, due to open its doors early next year.

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Dominic Brender writes: People who choose to register for work at a small businesses will shortly be Jobcentre will have their details retained for a maximum period of three months, unless they specifically ask for their registration to be renewed, the Manpower Services Commission announced last month. Gertain categories of jobseeker will still be encouraged to register so that their specialist needs can be looked after. They include disabled people (whose details will not be removed without their knowledge), young people under 18, and jobseekers who WORK IN OCCUDATIONS 10

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Radio 3

6.55 Weather, 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert. On records. Part one, Music by Faurs, Haydn, Glazumov. †

8.05 Moming Concert: part two. Music by David Diamond, Gershwin, Milhaud. On records.?

9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composers: Franz Krommer and Jan Vortselk. On

18.00 Scratz: A symphonic poem by Erik Satie. With Jane Merring (soprano) and the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Bryden Thomson.1

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18:30 Music for Harpsichord: A recital by Malcolm Proud. He plays Bach's Partita No 2 in C minor, MWV 828; Armand-Louis Couperin's Allemande and Courante (La de Croissy),†

11:10 Mahler: The IBA Jarusalem Symbony Orchestra.

Manuer: The JBA JBRUSBIERT Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Gary Bertini, play Marier's Third Symphony, With Susan Kessler (mezzo), Rinet National Choir, Choir of the Rubin Academy of Music and Dance, and Neve Shir Municipal Children's Choir. An Israel Radio reconfer.

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6.00 Ceefax AM. News, sport, weather and travel information in a taste of teletex. 6.30 Breakfast Time. Frank Bough and Selina Scott up with the lark for news at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30; Regional News at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15; Weather at 6.31, 6.57, 7.27,

7.57, 8.27; Morning papers at

7.18 and 8.18. 9.00 Mastermind. Repeated semifinals of the brain-box challenge, 9.30 Closedown, 10.30 Play School, 10,55

12.30 News, Weather. 12.57 Financial Report and news. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. Calebrity

guests and 1.45 Postman Pat. sts and flower arranging 2.00 Take Another Look: It's a Crystal, Crystal World. An aesthetic appreciation of nature, as viewed through

crystals (r). 2.20 Film: Born to Be Bad (1950) What a wicked women is Joan Fontaine. She gets her claws into millionaire Zachary Scott, artist Mel Ferrar and writer Robert Ryan, the rising star of her uncle's publishing house in San Francisco. Nicholas Ray knew it was all bad tun and

3.55 Play School: It's Thursday. 4-20 The Adventures of Bullwinkle and Rocky: Cartoon saga. 4-25 Jackanory. Read by John Grant. 4-35 Spider-Man and His Amazing Friends.

5.00 John Craven's Neweround. 5.10 Blue Peter. 5.40 Sixty Minutes. Nationwide lives on to incorporate the news at 5.40; South East at

Six at 5.53; Weather at 6.15; Closing Headlines at 6.38. 6.40 Angels. The week's second opera. Chris and Tracey move into their new flat. 7.05 Tomorrow's World. For cable

companies, a street cutter that can lay a mile of cable a day. And a resus citator that respirates if the patient fails to 7.30 Top of the Pops. Mike Read and Tommy Vance are the DJ due linking perpetrators of pop

8.05 Wildlife on One: Sparrows of St James's. Fame at last for the little brown birds we so often take for granted, unless hanging out the washing.

8.30 Only Fools and Horses. Another episode in which writer John Sullivan's inept impres erios Rodney and Del are armed with a paint brush, this time on an ill-fated ion to redecorate a triend's flat.

9.00 News and weather. 9.25 Johnny Jarvis. Having begun

as a sort of serial for Grange Hill graduates, this tale of two s from London's East End has taken off on an almost surreal tangent, with a shadowy drug dealer called The Colonel holding the rock writter Lipton a prisoner in his mother's council flat. Jarvis is also flat-bound, and flat broke, controlled to haby-sit while Stella goes out to work.

10.25 Question Time. Sir Robin Day erects his political platform in Edinburgh, for computer king Sir Clive Sinclair, Gavin Laird, general secretary of the AUEW, Charles Kennedy, the Cromarty and George Younger, MP, Secretary of

11.18 News headlines. 11.20 George Burns's Early Early Early Christmas Show. With Hawkins Family (Oh, Happy It's a repeat, repeat, repeat. 12.10 Weather and Closedown.

State for Scotland. Bob Hope, Ann-Margret, the

Days) and Playboy Playmates, the ultimate in stocking fillers. FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m: Radio 2: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m: VHF -90-92.5; Radio 4: 200kHz 1500m: VHF -92-95; LBC 1152kHz/251m; VHF 97.3; Capitat: 1548kHz/194m: VHF 95.8; BBC Radio London 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; World

TV-am 6.25 Good Morning Britain, Anne Diamond and Nick Owen start the day with the morning papers, then news at 6.30 and half-hourly until 9.00; sport at 6.35, 7.40; pop video at 7.55; larming at 6.50: Money Talks, 7.45; film review, 8.35; cooker with Michael Barry at 9.02.

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Peter Adamson is at 7.35.

9.25 Thames News Headlines. 9.30 Sesame Street. Puppet pedagogy. 10.25 Early Civitisations. Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, China, Greece. 10.45 Little House on the Prairie. Charles and Jonathan meet their rivals in a hauling contest (r). 11.35 Film Fun -The Movie. Classic cartoon clips (r).

12.00 Teetime and Claudia. 12.10 Get Up and Go! Beryl Reid chooses new cushions, 12.30 The Sullivans. Australian.

1.00 News. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 A Plus. Mid-week magazine. 2.00 Take the High Road. More high life in the Highlands. 2.30 Brother to the Ox, John Willis

(Rampton, Alice - A Fight for Life) turned to rather more rural pursuits to produce this evocative life and times of tarm boy Fred Kitchen, "sold" at a hiring fair in 1904 (r). 3.30 Sons and Daughters, Endless

4.90 Teetime and Claudia (r). 4.20 First Post, Junior TV critics. 4.35 Porky Pig. With Daffy Duck. 4.45 Here Comes Garfield.

5.15 The Young Doctors, Brian asks out his wife. 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News. 6.30 Thames Sport. Steve Cram discusses his 1500 metre

prospects. 7.00 Knight Rider. Three assassins terrorise a blind woman they think was an eye-witness to attempted murder.

8.00 Shelley. It's not so much hard

cheese as burnt bread, as far as the police are concerned, when a burglar makes off with Shelley's cherished toaster. Hywel Bennett makes a fuss, 8.30 Hotal. Back to the Californian Crossroads, where the favourite in a beauty contest must decide whether the winning sash is worth favouring one of the judges, and an ex-convict calls on Billy to collect a debt. Anne Baxter

James Brolin is Hollywood's answer to Mr Hunter. 9.30 TV Eye. Sugar, salt and water are the ingredients of an astonishingly simple medical breakthrough that could save five million children every year as a result of severe disrrheoa. The condition is one of the biggest killers of

plays the Meg Mortimer character (Mrs Cabot) while

children in the Third World. 10.00 News at Ten, followed by Thames News Headlines.

10.30 The Sweepey, Regan's daughter is abducted by a gang who want the detective inspector to ease off his inquiries as they plan their next heist. John Thew plays Regan, Janet Key plays his estranged wife, Kate, and Garfield Morgan (his superior) was seen in Shelley earlier tonight. This episode was scripted by Trevor Preston (r).

11.30 Citizen 2000. The far-sighted Tharnes project to follow the fortunes of 15 children born in 1982, picks up again with the first of four further reports this Saturday on Channel 4 this recease the aims of the series scheduled to proceed until the year 2000 (r).

12.30 Night Thoughts. Rabbi Eliezer Weisz on Chanukah, the Jewish festival of lights.

Anton Lesser, Film on Four

BBC 2

5.35 News summary and weather.

5.40 Film: Tarzen and the Trappers

(1958) "Gordon Scott tool

through at least six adventures in the 1950s, as the Edgar Rice Burroughs jungle hero. Here he tracks down hunters

who deal in animal skins. Eve

all, and not some, argue miners at the high-tech Selby

Rugby union highlights from the Sam Doble Memorial

Match, between Moseley and

Solution. Given that the actua

straightforward -- in the fields, children can earn money, in the classroom, they cost -- the solution for impoverished

parents in rural communities is

young, so that they may have someone to fall back on when

they are old. But in India's

most crowded state, Kerain. where they are an unusually

educated lot, the answer over

the past decade has been to

have less children. As a result

with fewer to clothe and feed

giving villagers the confidence to improve their living and

Bracket, in another glimpse into the realms of

of Parliament, Lord Halishar

Keeper of the Great Seal, Keeper of the Queen's

Conscience and Speaker of

Winnie, lady char, keeper of the mop and guardian of the bucket, he and his peers are

Just "a lovely clean bunch". Having tunnelled its way respectfully through the halls and House of Commons, this

and House of Commons, this guided tour of the Palace of

sensitive enough to detect "a

gentle missma of mothballs'

enumerate the number of

yet remains largely content to

books in the Lords library and

worry that there is "a mile of

red-carpeted corridor to be hoovered." Of the 1200 peers entitled to sit in the Lords, two-

thirds are hereditary, and there

is an in-built preconderance of

Conservatives.

Britons.

10.50 Newsnight.

11.40 Closedown.

10.20 Ebony. Magazine for black

Upper House where it is

the House of Lords, but to

may well be Lord Chancellor,

tackton Tressel (r)

9.30 The Great Palace: The Story

parents can spend more on

sending their children to school. Education is also

working conditions.

9.00 Dear Ladies. Hinge and

to multiply while they are

economic equation is fairly

an Invitation XV in 1977.

7.45 Spike Milligan: In the Spotlight. Goon but not forgotten, the early showbiz escapades of Spike Milligna, the famous typing error (r)

8.30 Global Report: The Kerala

6.50 Open Spece. New technology must be used to the benefit of

colliery.
7.30 100 Great Sporting Mon

Brent is Jane

William Boyd bowls a bouncer at three rotten stumps of the English public school system in GOOD AND BAD AT GAMES (Channel 4, 9.30pm). The novelist's malden film script provides director Jack Gold with his hat trick for Film on Fray. But with his hat trick for Film on Four. But the way in which three schoolboys the way in which three schoolboys humiliate an insecure, younger boarder, is, to borrow Boyd's central metaphor, certainly not cricket.

Leaping nimbly between then (1973) and now, Gold gradually reveals why, 10 years after leaving school a gibbering wreck, the persecuted Cox (Anton Lasser in spiendidy snivelling form) still revies his aggressors enough to pursue a violent vendetta against their leader. Boyd's dialogue is at times strong, though is at times strong, though reasonable, and the sadism of the traumatic boot-room bullying scene in the tradition of Tom Brown's Schooldays and Lord of the Flies.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 Countdown. Another quarter-

game, with Ned Sherri thumbing through the

5.30 Everybody Here. Meiting pot magazine for children mixes:

6.00 The Addams Family* Better the wierdo you know, Morticle persuades her playboy cousin itt to renew his courtship of

invented (r).

final in the words and numbers

dictionary. The contestants are from London and Leeds.

young origami expert from Newcastle and an Asian steel

her sister Ophelia. Carolyn Jones (Morticia). Ted Cassidy (Lurch) and Jackle Coogan (Uncle Fester) play the lovably loony characters created in the

New Yorker magazine by cartoonist Charles Addams (r).

course of the monthly wine and dine series has a strongly

festive flavour, with Prue Laith's "Instant" Christmas

cake and welcome tips on stanching the drinks bill

without spoiling the fun.
7.00 Channel 4 News. Read by
Peter Sissons, with headlines
at 7.30, followed by business

news.
Comment. By Dr Peter Draper,
Director of the Unit for the
Study of Health Policy at Guy's

Hospital; followed by weather.

movement, the Dagenham Cruseders marched into the

World Open Championships in

managed to make the quarter-linals. They were also the first

British drum and bugle corps

to cross the Atlantic, and this

report on their tour watches as

the youngsters, who had saved for three years to make the trip, gladly slept in coaches, endured

cockroaches, clammy heat, school house floors and a

could prove themselves

mong the best.

9.00 Soap. Another round of

expecting (r).

12.00 Closedown

eries of minor injuries so they

8.00 Band of Gold. Beating the drum for Britain's drum corps.

the United States, and

6.30 The Good Food Show, Last

Newcastle and an Asian ste band with a rapper's tale of how the steel pan was

CHOICE

The climax is knowingly set on a playing field of England. Channel 4 is Intent on keeping Viewers out of the kritchen toroght. At the other end of the social scale from William Boyd's boarding school builles, comes THE SNIFFER'S TALE (Channel 4, 11.20pm). This unsetting instalment in the outspoken series, Our Lives, is worth for the sake of "good TV"?

watching not because it is particularly good, but perticularly because it is, I think, morally misguided. It is also a rare insight into glue-sniffing, an insidious sub-cultura that I hope few of us are ever otherwise likely to encounter. "You just end up on the slab" says Pat, culture that I hope few of us are ever otherwise likely to encounter. "You just end up on the slab" says Pat, our glue guide, who thus becomes the exception to the rule: He ends up on television. Having told us how he

adhesive. Pat and four mates then illustrate the effects of inhaling a tin of Evo-Stik. Back in their old sniffing haunts, they pump furne-filled plestic bags into their faces while the cameras look eagerty on. Socially concerned viewers may be shocked at the sight and disturbed by the implications. If a would-be suicide is itermined to jump, should the director strap a camera on his back,

There is a cavernous quality about THE PUTNEY DEBATES (Radio 3, 7.30pm) that it shares with Today in Parliament (Radio 4,

9.30 The Living World.
10.00 News: Conversation Piece.
MacGregor talks to the
conductor, Dr. Jeffery Tale,
about his life and work. 10.30 Morning Story: 'Kindred Spirits' by Madeline Blackmore. 10.45 Daily Service.

11.00 News, Travel; Analysis, Mary Coldring looks behind the scenes of the National Health Service and talks to Secretary of State Morrae Equator State, Norman For Enquire Within, ws. You and Yours. Consumer Affairs.
12.27 Yes Minister. A radio version of the popular series which retains the original cast. 12.56 Weather;

Programme news.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping forecast. 2.00 News; Woman's Hour.

3.00 News; Afternoon Theatre. 'Play it Straight' by Malville Jones. A key figure in a dispute between Britain and other members of the EEC suddenly disappears and espionage is suspected. An old friend of the missing man embarks on a frentic search, at embarks on a frantic search, at the end of which he learns that his own life has been profound his own life has been profoundly changed. The author is now an hoteller, living in Comwell. He has taught at several public schools. The cast includes Peter Wickham, Madi Hedd, and Judith Arthy.

4.00 News; Just after Four.

BBC 1 WALES: 12.57-1.0pm News of Wales Headlines 2.53-2.55 News of Wales Headlines 5.53 WALES Today 12.10am News of Wales Headlines, Weather, Close SCOTLAND: 12.55-1.0pm Scottish News 5.53 12.55-1.0pm Scottish News 5.53
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unhappy families, with the Campbells and the Tates delving ever deeper into fife's most improbable misfortunes. legional News Magazines 12.15am Chester loses his memory, S4C starts 2.20 pm Flaiabalan. 2.35 Interval. 3.10 Be Your Own Boss 3.35 Flaiaback. 4.00 Body Show. 4.30 Countdown. 4.55 Guto Goch a Melwen. 5.05 Amurisatheu Syr Wynff a Plemsen. 5.30 Abbolt and Costnilo Show. 5.00 Provident & 25 Hans'e Linux, 6.55 Galt. Jodia loses his love for Dennis, and Dutch thinks it best to lose Eurice. Corinne, meanwhile, tells Jessica she is 9.30 Film: Good and Bad at Games

Processie. 6.25 Here's Lucy. 6.55 Gair Yn B Bryd. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Cefn Gwlad. 8.00 Coleg. 8.30 Ted The Truth. 9.00 Struppis. 8.30 Drame Diffeu. 1035 Film: Un Si Joil Village. 12.35 am Gair Yn El Bryd, Closedown. (1983) Novelist William Boyd's first film. Anton Lesser seethes as a put-upon schoolboy who tracks down his chief persecutor ten years later. Jack Gold directs (see

CHANNEL As London except:
1.20pm-1.30 News
3.30-600 University Challenge 5.15-5.45
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6.30 Crossroads 6.55 Casper Caper
7.00 Judi 7.30-8.00 Carry On Laughing
10.35 Hill Street Blues 11.30 Arms and
Armour 11.40 Superster Profile 12.05eed Choice).

11.05 What the Papers Say, Press pundit Charles Wintour tastes the fruits of Fleet Street. 11.20 Our Lives: The Sniffer's Tale. Confessions of a Cockney glue sniffer and his pals, as filmed by Jeff Perks (see Choicel.

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Radio 4 6.00 News briefing.
6.10 Farming today featuring The Royal Smithfield Show, London.
6.25 Shipping forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summery, 6.45 Prayer for the Day, 6.55, 7.55 Waether.
7.00, 8.00 Today's Sport. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day, 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

9.00 Naws. 9.05 Checkpoint. A weekly investigation into listeners' problems.

Children's Choir. An Israel Redic recording.†

1.00 News.

1.05 Manchester Midday Concert: dract from the Royal Exchange Theetrs. The Parlitan/Reming/Roberts Trio play Mozart's Trio in E, K 542; and Brahms's Trio in C minor, On 101.†

2.00 Choulette. The three-act opers by Reynaldo Hahn. Sure in Franch. There is an interval neading at 3.00. † 4.10 Copland and Debuesy: A piano recital †

during a luft in the English Civil War.

4.10 Bookshelf, Radio 4's Book
Programme.

4.40 Story Time: 'A Kind of Treeson'
by George Macbeth (8).

5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50
Shipping forecast. 5.55 Weather;
Programme news.

6.30 My Word.†

7.00 The Six O'clock News.

6.30 My Word.†

7.00 News.

7.25 The Archers.

7.20 The Fourth Man by Michael
Ethwards. The story of
Mohamshed All Jimpah, the
fourth man in the great drama of
the decline and fall of the British
Empire in India.

7.50 Concert prelude.†

8.90 Berganzs and the Scottish
Chamber Orchestra directed
from the Queen's Heil,
Edinburgt. Part 1: Handel,
Albinoni, Falla.

4.00 Kaleidoscope. Arts magazine.
Tonight's topics include Dennis
Potter's play Sufficient
Carbohydrale (at the Hempsteed
Themrs. Includes an interview
with the playwright), and the
Central TV comedy series Auf
Wiedersehen, Pat. There is also
an interview with Gene Allen,
president of the Academy of
Motion Pictures, Arts and
Sciences; 2,58 Weather.

11.00 The World Tonight: News.

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7.00 The Gentlemen of Chapel Royal:
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senes, presented by Gordon
Reynolds Tonight: Tomkins and
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7,30 The Putney Debates: A second chance to hear Jack Emery's feature, which was recorded in All Saints Church, Fulham, in 1979 Mr Emery has adapted the debates of the Saneral Council of the New Model Anny which were held in the church between October 28 and November 1, 1647 Timothy West plays Cromwell, with T P McKenna (Iranon), Brian Glover (Reignborough), Michael McStay (Sexby), John Bardon (Everand), Gondon Reid (Midman), Martin Matthews (Audiey and White) and Jack Emery henself as Nathaniel Rich, Narrator Philip Sully (r).

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IRA kills leading Ulster politician

suspected that someone within the law faculty is "fingering" people, particularly following the attempted killings of Lord Gardiner, former Lord Chancellor, and the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland, Lord

The Rev Ian Paisley, leader of the Democratic Unionist Party, said: "There is a Republican cell working in the university that has got to be rid of". A student alleged not there were a number of Provisional IRA the sympathizers within students' union.

In a statement admitting responsibility for the shooting the Provisional IRA said that it should be a salutory lesson to "loyalists" who supported the forces of law and order and the

It alleged that Mr Graham "rejoiced" in the killing of "rejoiced" in the killing of Republicans and said that "loyalist" politicans should be warned that those who "made ammunition" for the Army and the police should not escape

Mr James Molyneaux Official Unionist MP for Antrim South and leader of the party, alleged that there was a determined campaign to elimin ate key leading figures in the "foyalist" community. His party remained determined to bludgeon the Government and the authorities into providing safe conditions for all the people of the province.

He flew from London Belfast last night for talks with Mr Prior at Stromont where, he said, he would be emphasizing the need to make sure there was on adequate mechanism for dealing with intelligence re-

Mr Seamus Mallon, deputy leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party, said that the attack was "naked sectarianism" against the entire com-munity. "The Provisional IRA and Provisional Sinn Fein have shown themselves to be sectarian murder gangs. Nothing more and nothing less."

The dead man was a rising star within the Official Unionist Party who had had a glittering academic career and was widely tipped as a future Westminster MP and potential party leader.

But he had made enemies in both Republican and "loyalist" circles by his strong support for the use of "super grasses" and his opposition to the segregation of prisoners.



The scene in the fog as firemen and rescuers search for survivors of the double crash at Madrid's Barajas airport.

90 die in second crash at Madrid airport

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scene after hearing the ex-plosion were mable to see the wrecked aircraft The crash occurred ten days

after a Boeing 747 of the Colombian airline Avianca crashed on its approach to Barajas, killing 181 passengers and crew. It also bore a striking similarity to the world's worst ever airline disaster which occurred in 1977 on the Spanish island of Tenerife when a US jumbo jet collided head-on with a Dutch jumbo, killing 585 people.

Señor Enrique Barón, the Spanish Transport Minister, and Senor Alfonso Guerra, the Deputy Prime Minister, went immediately to Barajas to investigate the crash. Senor Guerra told a press conference that the Government will "study" equipping Barajas with more security devices. Señor Barón, asked whether

Spain's crash record could lead to an international boycott of Spanish airfields, replied that no Spanish airports were on the blacklist of the International Airline Pilot's Association.

"Inquiries must show how the Aviaco plane came to find itself on the take off runway,"

Severiano Ballesteros, the US Masters Golf champion. had been booked on the Aviaca

flight. But he took the late Dight on Tuesday night



survivor at stroned Madrid Airport.

Scoon 'Grenada's Caesar'

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said: "The hungry sheep look up, and are not fed." Mr Rushford said: "Sir Paul Scoon remained in office throughout the period of Maurice Bishop's Government when human rights were suspended, when there were no elections. When that Government was overthrown, the Governor-General saw fit to call in foreign armies into this independent country. It is inconceivable that they would have come in without prior preparation. There must have been a line-up between the United States, Sir Paul and the Caribbean coun-

tries. It was a set-up. The legality of the presence of those forces depends on whether they came at the invitation of a lawful Government. If no invitation was issued their presence would be illegal. I have never been able to discover from the Governor-General what happened or hew he gave his invitation. He has remained silent and the circumstances are highly suspect.
"As a parallel matter, Presi-

dent Reagan was on television in America and next to him, like a puppet, was Mrs Eugenia Charles (Prime Minister of responsibility for the invi-

Mr Rushford went to Grenada six days after the invasion at the request of the Commonwealth Secretariat. He was to advise Sir Paul Scoon on constitutional matters as the

IMF suspends \$14m for island

St George's (Reuter) - The International Monetary Fund has suspended a \$14.1m (29m) extended fund facility for Grenada, the Government said. Suspension of the programme was disclosed after the Government ended a three-day review of the state of the economy. An official statement gave no reason for the suspension.

island sought to grope its way back to a democratic structure. Mr Rushford was ideally qualified, having been a Foreign Office legal advisor who helped draw up Grenada's constitution on independence in 1974. He is now an independent constitutional lawyer. He arrived in Grenada on November 1. "I was not even

met by any official in that wilderness of an airstrip. Sir Paul did not bother to send a car, I had to get my own taxi and it cost me an extortionate amount. No arrangements had been made for my accommodation. I have been treated by Sir Paul Scoon with contempt and condescension through-

Mr Rushford said his main achievement had been to push through a constitutional arrangement for a proper civil Government which came into force on November 15. He said he was happy to note

that Sir Paul said he was returning to his former function as Governor-General. "I applauded that act. He had terminated his reign as Caesar."
But Mr Rushford said the chosen chairman of the interim administration, Mr Alister McIntyre, a United Nations official, has not taken up the

"So the Government is a headless body, incapable of carrying on an effective civil Government. The country looks for leadership and it is not forthcoming, I resigned because cannot compromise my reputation.

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Crisis of Kinnock word mountain

British Prime Minister, yesterday flew to London to grapple with a new crisis, the contro-versial Kinnock word moun-

Mrs Thatcher made a statement to the House on the failed meeting of European heads of government in Athens. Disguised as a series of questions to her, as under the rules of Commons procedure it was supposed to be. Mr Kinnock then made an immense statement about her statement. Indeed. at one point he was heard to observe: 'No such statement has been forthcoming in this statement."
The summit was an "un-

mitigated failure". She had tried to lay the blame of "everyone but herself." We were used to that because she was "the banana skin Prime Minister." She had been quoted as saying that the disagreements would be re-solved by the Brussels meeting in March. What did she think would change between Athens in December and Brussels in March? (Irreverent Tory cry of "the weather.")

Why no positive proposals... Chancellor budgeted for £420m or a 50 per cent increase... was Chancellor being deliberate "or was it there supplied". On and on sheer stupidity?" On and on he continued.

The background to the word

crisis was as follows: basically, Wales produces more words than are needed either for home consumption or for British and European markets. Over the years, most of these surplus words were acquired cheaply by Mr Kinnock. He found an outlet for them on chat shows and at the social functions of the London Welsh rugby union football club. As a result he became immensely well-liked and eventually leader of the Labour Party.

But since then the system has broken down. Mr Kinnock

has remorselessly stepped up word production even though there have been clear signs of consumer resistance he became leader.

But Mr Kinnock's economy is not geared to producing anything other than words. The brilliant young fonction-naires in Mr Kinnock's private cabinet, such as Mr Hewitt, have been trying to devise a scheme whereby Mr Kinnock can continue to produce words but without the informed.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Labour Party having to pay votes, boredom and general of the population. But so far no such scheme has been devised.

Yesterday Mr Cook, who is the chief Opposition spokes-man on Europe and is officially recognized as brilliant by virtue of his having a beard, could be seen in consultation with Mr Kinnock on the Opposition front bench shortly before Mrs Thatcher's

arrival. It was understood that Mr Cook had come up with a lastminute compromise scheme to limit word production by Mr Kinnock or at least keep it under control for the duration of the afternoon.

But within a few paragraphs of Mr Kinnock's remarks to Mrs Thatcher, it was clear that the plan had broken down, It was quite clear that Wales was not prepared to abide by any agreement to limit the word mountain or the notorious sub-clause lake. Just when we all thought Mr Kinnock was about to sit down, he got on to the VAT contributions, having actually started off with the Lebanon.

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Soon he seemed likely to get on the milk mountain or indeed to give a full reading of Under Milk Wood. Tories mocked and protested. The left winger, Mr Martin Flannery shouted at them: "Louis!"

The Speaker tactfully intervened: "Latitude is usually given to a Leader of the Opposition, but I hope he is coming to the end soon. That seemed to spur Mr Kinnock on to a new burst of production.

In due course, he sank back exhausted. Mrs thatcher briskly denied it all. Other Labour questioners did manage to make some telling points. Their difficulty was that Mrs Thatcher seemed to be just as angry with the foreigners as

At one stage, the Prime Minister made the slip of referring to the Athens meeting as being of heads of state" Mr Gerald Kaufman, the chief Opposition spokesman on home affairs and clearly a student of the British constitution, shouted: "You're not a head of state". It was the Opposition's one score of the Robin Cook and Ms Patricia afternoon, Mrs Thatcher corrected it to "heads of government". But by then the Queen had no doubt asked to be kept

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Today's events

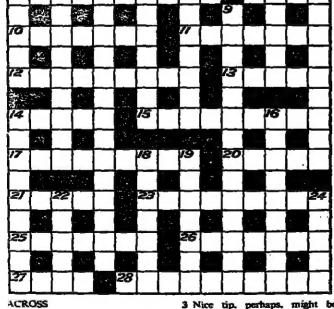
Royal engagements Office of the Post Office at Nine

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother dines with the Army Board of the Defence Council at the Royal Hospital, Chelsen, 8, 15.

Princess Anne visits Beneaden School, Cranbrook, Kent, 11: and later, attends a reception to launch the Charing Cross Medical Research The Duchess of Gloucester attends the Annual Livery Banquet of the Worshipful Company of Fannakers at Mansion House,

Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 1 to 5, Sun 2

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,304



1 Decline to meet bill and other debts, causing disappointment (10).

6 Turn cooler? (4). 10 Star is able to get work (7). 11 Gathering of lower types? (5-2). 12 Someone adding fresh gin -

appears unsteady (9). 13 Serious object of some undertaking? (5). 14 Station of foreign vessei (5).

15 Parts outside the former Tories' building, bearing right (9). 17 Outrage of the foreign quarter of London's assessment (9).

20 Competed a good deal, in a way writer (5).

21 Sorcerer's ring replaced by a 23 They are engaged in chain-work

25 Original letter-writer? (7). 26 Plant in splendid order? (7). 27 Of course we would want to be

DOWN

in it! (4).

1 View of case set on Tuesday

28 Family man on the way down?

opening (5). 2 Kinds of floor covering familiar to the chapel? (9). CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 10

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London, 7.30. The Duche

new civic offices at Ashford Borough Council, Ashford, Kent, 11.30; and later, as Patron of the Royal British Legion Village, opens the Churchill Rehabilitation and Assessment Centre at the Village in Maidstone, Kent, 2,30.

New exhibitions Fifty Years of Civil Engineering in Northern Ireland, Ulster Mu-seum. Botanic Gardens, Belfast;

3 Nice tip, perhaps, might made from this service (14). 4 Did Clio do it to Herodotus? (7). 5 Not a grand type, but honest?

(7). Quested for a passage hereto (5). 8 Put down document, including Dapers 191 9 A bit common? (6, 8).

14 Taking off some characteristic procedure of Holmes? (9). 16 Entertainers whose lines ar barred? (9).

18 Pardon Jack - loves wrongoing (7). 19 Raised call catches up a pair of Kings - irregular! (7). 22. Crop is one month's, it's said

24 Some troops Lee trained for bad Solution of Puzzle No 16,303

to 5 (closed Dec 24 to 27 inclusive, ends Dec 31).

Words and images from the Lake District; Collins Gallery, University of Strathclyde, 22, Richmond Street, Glasgow, Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 12 to 4 (ends Dec 22). Last chance to see

Christopher Pratt: Silkscreen Prints, 1960 to 1982, Glasgow Print Studio, 128 Ingram Street, Glasgow, Mon to Fri 9.30 to 6 (ends today).

The Royal Photographic Society's 127th Annual Exhibition, the Octagon Milsom Street, Bath, Mon Cetagon, Mison Steet, Same, Mod to Sat 10 to 4.45 (ends today). Soviet Stage Design, 1917-1982, City Art Centre, 2 Market Street, Edinburgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (ends

Organ recital by Sir Nicholas lackson, St David's Hall, Cardiff,

Piano recital by John Leneban, St Mary's Centre, Aylesbury, 1.10. Concert by the New London Consort, Methodist Church, The Avenue, Minehead, 8.

Exhibitions in progress
Royal Society of Marine Artists
Exhibition: West Country; Maritime Heritage Centre, the Harbour,
Roundham Road, Psigntos, Devon;
Mon. Tues, Thurs, Fri. Sat 10 to 5,
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Designs from Vienna to Holly-

Designs from Vienna to Holly-wood: Ernst Dryden, 1883-1938, Ferens Art Gallery, Queen Victoria Square, Hnilt Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2-30 to 4-30 (ends Dec 18). Forniture and Textiles, R. D. Russell and Marian Pepler, Glasgow Museum and Art Gallery, Kelvingrove, Glasgow, Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Dec 27). Winter Exhibition by Gallery, 82 Portland Street, Manchester, Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 1 to 5, closed Sun

to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 1 to 5, closed Sun (ends Feb 1984).

1983 Christmas Exhibition of paintings, prints, ceramics, toys, jewelry and tapestries, Festival Gallery, 1 Pierrepont Place, Bath; Tues to Sat 11 to 5, closed Sun and Mon (ends Dec 23).

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Appropriation (No 3 Northern Ireland) Order and Northern Ireland (Emergency Pro-visions) Act 1978 (Continuance No

Lords (3): Debate on televising the House. Debate on gas and electricity prices.

Christmas calls

Making local, trunk and most direct dialled international calls, will be cheaper this Christmas. will be cheaper this Christmas. From 6 pm on Friday, December 23 to 8.0 am on Tuesday January 3, a 10-minute local call will cost 10p instead of the usual 25p or 35p peak rate. A 10-minute trunk call will cost 25p, compared with a standard 76p or £1.01 peak rate. A 10-minute call to France will cost £3.29, compared with £4.15 standard rate charge. But calls to Australia, New Zealand and Hongkong will only be on the cheaper tate during the night and part of the day when a 10-minute call will be £5.06. The package will run a day longer, until January 4, in Scotland.

New books – paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of Interesting books published this week A History of Poland, by O. Haiscki (Routledge & Kegan Paul, £6.95) Golden Earth, Travels in Burns, by Norman Lewis (Eland, £4.95)

Referring to the use of the honours system for party political purposes, the Dally Mirror point out that in modern memory, four men went to the House of Lords when, in justice, they might have first gone to one of the less attractive properties owned by Her Majesty. One died before inevitable conviction, a second was a spy, a third did so to prison subsequently and a go to prison subsequently and a fourth was never charged," it says. "The Quickest way to the House of Lords should not be via the bank or Lords should not be via the bank or through a brown paper parcel of pound notes. That is why the Commons was wrong to reject a Bill aimed at curbing honours for those who contributed money - their own or their company's - to political funds. Taint one honour and all are united. MPs should have seized the chance to make the bostours list. chance to make the bonours list bonourable."

Falklands Day

Cathedral, wreaths will be laid at the battle memorial and there will be a battle memorial and there will be a march past by the band of the 2nd Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, with a Royal Naval detachment and the Falkland Islands Defence Force. The day will be marked in London on Saturday at 11.00 by the annual ceremony at the Cenotaph.

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London: The FT index closed 5.4 up at 753.6

The papers

Today is Falkland Islands' national day, known as "Battle Day" after the Battle of the Falkland Islands on December 8, 1914, when the Royal Navy defeated the German South Atlantic Squadron. After a memorial service in Stanley.

John Piper Exhibition Catalogue, introduction by John Russell (Tata Gallery, E7.95)
Moreover . . . by Miles Kington (Penguin, E1.95)
Samurai, by Shusaku Endo (Penguin, E2.95)
Strangers and Brothers, the novel sequence by C. P. Snow (Penguin, three vols, E4.95 each)

£4.95 each) The Game, by A.S. Byett (Penguin, £2.50) The House in Paris, by Elizabath Bowen (Penguin, £2.50) The Penguin Complete Longer Non-Fiction of George Orwall (Penguin, £3.95)

Roads Midlands: A34: Contraflow or Stone-Newcastle road at Stongford, Staffordshire. A435: Contraflow on Stanfordshire. Adds to contain the Birmingham-Redditch road at Portway. A34: Roadworks and delays south of Shipston on Stour at Tidmington, Warwickshire.

Tidmington, Warvickshire.

Wates and West A361: Barnstaple Street, South Molton, closed.

A49: Diversion, with delays on Bancyfelin-Carmarthen road. A483: Temporary traffic lights and long delays in Wind Street, Ammanford.

North: A535: Single-lane traffic at Runcorn-Widnes Bridge. A41: Temporary traffic signals, with expected congestion, at junction Salters Hill, Newport, Salop. A56: Slight obstruction in Burnley Road. Slight obstruction in Burnley Road,

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Scotland: A68: All southbound traffic and northbound traffic over 30 cwt diverted, north of Dalkeith; northbound traffic reduced to a single lane. A737: Lane closure, with delays at peak periods in Main Road, Elderslie. A92: Single-lane traffic, with delays at peak times in Central Esplanade, Kirkcaldy, Fife.

A four-and-a-half-mile section of

the M25 was opened yesterday, providing a motorway link between Heathrow Airport and the A3 and improving communication to the outh-west. Information supplied by the AA

Anniversaries

Births: Mary, Queen of Scots, Linlithgow Palace, West Lothian, 1542; Bjørnstjerne Bjørason, poet and dramatist, Kvikne. Norway, 1832; Jean Sibelius, Hämeenlinna, Finland, 1865; Padraic Colum, poet, Longford, 1821; James Finland, 1865; Padraic Colum, poet, Longford, co Longford, 1881; James Thurber, Columbus, Ohio, 1894, Denths; John Pym. Parliamentary leader against Chartes I. London, 1643; Herbert Spencer, philosopher, Brighton. 1903; Gertrade Jekyll, landscape architect and gardener, 1932. Today is the Feast of the Immacalate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - the dogma pronounced on December 8, 1834 by Pope Pius IX. Britain, Australia and the USA declared war on Japan. and the USA declared war on Japan, 1941.

Mail hold-up

The Post Office have advised against posting letters or parcels to the Shepherds Bush, W12, area of London, where unofficial industrial action has led to suspension of collection and delivery services. (2) TIMES NEWSPAPERS LIMITED, 1983. Printed and published by Times Newspapers Limited, P.O. Box 7, 200 Gray's Inn Road, London. WCLX 8EZ, England. Telephone: 01-837 1234. Telex: 264971. Thursday December 8 1983. Registered as newspaper at the Post Office.

Weather forecast

A slow-moving trough of low pressure lies across England and Wales. England and Wales will be cloudy with rain, heavy and persistent in Northern and central areas

6am to midnight

London, SE England: Cloudy, a little rain at times; wind SW fresh or strong, perhaps gale in exposed places later; max temp 11C (52F).

East Anglia, E, W Midlands, E, MW, central N England: Cloudy, rain heavy in places. Wind SW fresh or strong; max temp 10C (50F).

Central S, SW England, Channel Islands: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain; wind SW, fresh or strong, perhaps gale in exposed places; max temp 11C (52F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Northern Irelandthostly cloudy, showers at first, rain later, heavy in places; wind SW, moderate or fresh becoming variable light.max temp 9C (48F).

Aberdeen, central Highlands, Argyll, NW Scotland: Rather cloudy, showers, some sumy intervals; wind W strong, decreasing and veering NW to moderate; max temp 9C (48F), becoming colder later. Network of the strong of th

snow showers, frest overnight.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits of Dover English Channel (E): Wind SW fresh increasingly strong and perhaps gale; sea moderate becoming very rough St Georges Channel, Irish Sea: Wind SW strong, perhaps locally gale; sea, rough or very rough.

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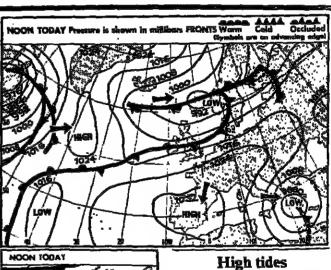
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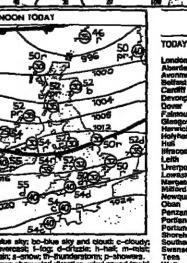
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